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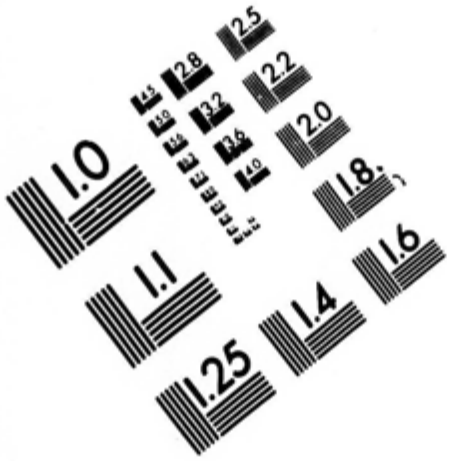

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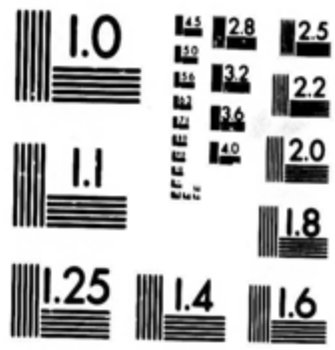


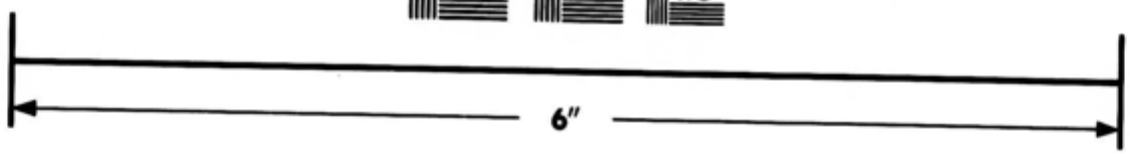

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March 1st 1896.

The greatest freshet ever known here. many bridges carried away and much property destroyed. G. W. B.

City Clerk.



1896. (Continuation of record from Book B,)

committee to locate school property

On motion of Councilman Whitehouse voted the rules be suspended and the resolution pass.

The mayor appointed councilmen Barker Traask and Scranton as the committee called for in the above resolution.

appointed

By Councilman Traask.

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Rochester

water loans

That the committee on water Works in conjunction with the purchasing committee be authorized to invite proposals for furnishing all material (and labor should they deem best) for carrying out the plan as proposed and recommended by the water committee, and also to execute such contracts as in their judgement the best interests of the city demands for procuring a pure supply of water for the use of its citizens, in accordance with the recommendations already adopted by this body.

to invite proposals for material

On motion of Councilman Wolf. voted the Rules be suspended and the resolution pass.

By Councilman Traask.

Resolution of appropriation.

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Rochester

to improve water works

That the sum of Ten thousand five hundred ($10.500.00) Dollars is hereby appropriated, from the money standing to the

1896. credit of the water work. Department for the purpose of connecting Round Pond with the present water main at or near the State House at the Reservoir. and for the purpose of making such alterations. substitutions. extensions and connections as may be required in order to adapt the present Stand-pipe and piping system to admit the water directly from Round Pond.

On motion of councilman Rollins voted the rules be suspended and the resolution pass.

On motion of councilman Fogg voted the resolution for heating the East Rochester School House be taken from the table.

Moved by Councilman Wolf that the contract for Plumbing be given to the lowest bidder. Councilman Fogg offered an amendment that the contract for Plumbing the East Rochester School House be awarded to Frank Brown of East Rochester. It was voted to accept the amendment and it was voted the motion as amended pass.

The yeas and nays on the acceptance of the amendment were as follows Yea Councilmen Fogg Blaisdell Ames Rollins Whitehouse Meader Page 7

Nay councilmen Dane Stussy Wolf Frank Beckford and Sexton 6. Adjourned attest

Chas W Brown City Clerk

To Rock Heating & Plumbing



1896. City of Rochester

February 13 1896

Chas W Brown

City Clerk.

Please call a meeting of the city council to be held at the council chamber on Saturday February 15th 1896 at 7-30 o'clock P.M to see what action the council will take in regard to heating and plumbing the East Rochester School House.

Samuel D Felker

Mayor

In accordance with the foregoing notice. a call for the meeting was issued. and mailed to each member of the council. and agreeably to notice the council met and called to order by the mayor. The following councilmen were present.

Ward One Messrs Fogg and Blaisdell
Ward Two Ames and Rollins
Ward Three Whitehouse Hill and Meader
Ward Four Dane and Stussy
Ward Five Wolf Frank and Beckford
Ward Six Baker Morrill and Sexton.

moved by councilman Rollins that the vote passed at the last meeting awarding the Plumbing of the East Rochester School House to Frank Brown be reconsidered. Recess declared to procure

Plumbing of E Rochester School House

1896. the Specifications for Plumbing, after which the Specifications were read also the several votes in relation to the enlargement and repair of the East Rochester School House taken by the City Council.

On the motion of Councilman Rollins. the roll was called with the following result.

Yeas. Councilmen Ames. Rollins. Dime Hussey Wolf. Trask. Pickford Barker Mosier and Secretan. 10-

Nay Lawson Bailey Blanchard Whitehouse Stiles and Meader 6. and the motion of Councilman Rollins was carried.

The original motion for Plumbing. as amended was now before the council and it was not carried. Then on the original motion that was made to give the contract to the lowest bidder. the council was a tie.

Then on motion of councilman Wolf voted Mr Bailey & Green be invited to come before the council and state on which specifications their bids were based.

Mr Bailey was present and stated he figured on the specifications as read.

On motion of councilman Wolf it was voted that the matter of Plumbing the East Rochester School House be left



1896. to a committee of five of which the mayor shall be chairman and the other four to be appointed by him.

Heating of East Rochester School House

On motion of councilman Meader voted the Heating of the East Rochester School House be left to the same committee.

Subsequently the Mayor appointed as the above committee Councilmen Meader Lawson Trask and Pickford.

Attest

Chas. W Brown

City Clerk

1896.

City of Rochester

March 3 - 1896

Regular meeting of the city council the mayor in the chair.

The following councilmen were present and responded to roll call.

Ward Two Rollins

Ward Four Dame and Page.

Ward Five Wolf and Rickford

Ward Six Barker and Scruton.

No quorum present. The mayor adjourned the meeting to March 10th at 7:30 PM

Attest

Chas W Brown

City Clerk



1896

City of Rochester

March 10 - 1896

Adjourned meeting of the city council called to order by the mayor

The roll of the council called to which the following responded.

Ward One Lawson Fogg and Blaisdell.

Ward Two Crocker Ames and Rollins

Ward Three Whitehouse Hill and Meader

Ward Four Dame and Hussey

Ward Five Wolf Trask and Rickford

Ward Six Barker and Scruton.

Record of previous meetings read and approved.

Petition of Francis Landry

Petition of Francis Landry for permit to drain the basement of his house on Tebbetts Ave by connecting with the surface sewer presented and referred to committee on Sewerage.

Communication from Rochester Lounge in relation to making a charge for the use of the house sewer. Referred to Committee on Legal affairs.

Report of Committee on Watchmans Clocks

The Committee on Highways reported as follows on the resolution for Watchmans clocks.

Your committee would recommend the "Leo Magneto clock" metalic circuit (two wires) same as used in the Laconia N H system, which would cost

1896 about Two Hundred and Twenty five dollars ($225) Given Stations as follows.

*1 Central Square (Start 11. PM)
*2 Corner Wakefield & Union street.
*3 Stafford Square
*4 Bridge & River Streets. (Time 2 minutes)
Start 2nd 11.30 PM
*1 Central Square
*5 Knight & Charles Streets
*6 Main and Water Streets
*7 Union Depot (Time 2 minutes)

Chas W Bickford } Comm on
S. B Scruton } Highways

In connection with the above report a communication was read from the Marshal at Livonia recommending the above System.

Moved by councilman Rollins that this report be accepted and the recommendations adopted. Councilman Bickford moved to amend by authorizing the Marshal and City Clerk, to arrange the time of the beats. and the hour of commencing. The amendment was accepted. and the motion as amended was carried

Hussey appointed on Claims and accounts

The mayor appointed councilman Hussey on claims and accounts in place of councilman Barker who declined to serve.

Overseer of Poor elected

On motion of councilman Barker voted to proceed to ballot for Overseer of Poor vice Jo J. Daniels deceased councilmen Whitehouse and Barker appointed



1896 tellers. Whole number of votes 16
Stephen B. Root 4
J. H. Neal 12

and J. H. Neal was declared elected.

On motion of Councilman Bickford it was voted the same committee on the improvement of Central Square as acted in that capacity for the past year be reappointed. Councilman Whitehouse introduced the following resolution

committee on Cen Square re-appointed

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Rochester

That the committee on Public Instruction be authorized and instructed to have all city records properly indexed and filed. and all records on which the ink has faded or which has been partially destroyed, recopied and the City Clerk is hereby authorized to certify to all true copies of such records according to law. Referred to committee on Public Instruction. Introduced by Councilman Wolf.

Resolution for city Records to be indexed and filed

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Rochester.

That the committee on Highways be authorized and instructed to have what Highways in said city they deem advisable resurveyed, a record thereof made showing present Highways and the original lines, and that they recommend to this Council such Highways as may be dispensed with, and

Highways to be resurveyed

1896 any widening of present highways they deem advisable. that they cause the records of all highways either city or county to be copied in a book for that purpose and the City Clerk is hereby authorized to certify to all such true copies of city highways according to law.

Referred to committee on Highways

Report of the City Marshal for February read and ordered to be placed on file.

Moved by councilman Fogg that Wm M Ames be allowed the sum of $2.00 per hour for all services rendered the past year. After some discussion it was voted on motion of councilman Barker that a committee of three be appointed to confer with Mr Ames in relation to his pay for services rendered the past year. and to report at the next meeting.

Committee to adjust pay of Ames

The mayor subsequently appointed the following councilmen as the above committee Whitehouse. Dane and Scruton.

Appointed

The mayor recommended the appointment of a Committee on Police and also suggested that a small sum be appropriated to be used by that committee in the prosecution of their work.

On motion of Councilman Barker voted to adjourn

Attest

Chas. W Brown

City Clerk



1896 City of Rochester

April 7. 1896

Regular meeting of the city council called to order by the mayor

The following councilmen responded to roll call

Ward Two. Ames and Rollins

Ward Three Whitehouse and Meader

Ward Four Page and Stressey

Ward Five Wolf and Bickford

Ward Six Barker and Scruton.

Dane and Fogg of ward one joined the council before the transaction of business.

Record of last meeting read and approved.

Petition of M. H. Plummer

Petition of M. H. Plummer for permit to erect a stable on lot adjoining his residence on Railroad avenue read and referred to Committee on Fire Department.

Report of Committee on Re-survey of Highways

On the resolution for a survey of certain streets, the committee on Highways made the following report.

We have attended to the duty assigned us and would strongly recommend its adoption. The expense of surveying and copying records of streets, should be taken from Highway Department.

Chas W. Bickford } Committee on

J B. Scruton } Highways

1896 On motion of Councilman Rollins voted the report be accepted and adopted.

On the resolution to have all city records properly indexed and filed. The Committee on Public instruction made the following report,

Report of Committee in relation to City Records

We to whom the enclosed resolution was referred recommend the passage of the same. The committee on public instruction make further examination and report the probable expense of the same.

Samuel D Tucker
Chas. L. Whitehouse
S. R. Scruton.

On motion of Councilman Mercier voted the report be accepted and the recommendations adopted.

Invitation of Sampson Post to join in memorial services decoration day read and on motion of Councilman Barker voted the invitation be accepted and that a committee of three be appointed by the mayor to make such arrangements as may be necessary. The mayor appointed for the committee Councilmen Barker Rollins and Bickford.

Invitation of Sampson Post

Resolution to allow Lemon Pliss Two Hundred Dollars

By Councilman Whitehouse.

Resolved by the city council of the city of Rochester,

That the sum of two hundred dollars be used by the mayor and



1896 two members of the council by him appointed to be known as committee on police, for the general good of the various departments, and that any portion of said sum so used shall be receipted for by the mayor and his voucher without a statement of the specific object for which it has been or may be used shall be a sufficient receipt therefor. Said sum shall be taken from the police department.

Referred to committee on legal affairs.

Report of the city marshal for March read and ordered to be placed on file.

Bond of J. C. Collector accepted

Bond of J. B. Stevens collector of taxes read and on motion of Councilman Barker voted it be accepted and placed on file.

Resignation of J. S. Pease Selectman in Ward Three

Resignation of Thomas J Pease Selectman in Ward Three, read and on motion of Councilman Whitehouse voted the resignation be accepted.

Resignation of J. Morrill Councilman Ward 6

Resignation of Jedediah Morrill as member of the council read and on motion of Councilman Barker voted that the city clerk notify the Selectmen in ward six of the resignation of Jedediah Morrill and order them to call a meeting to fill the vacancy.

By Councilman Hussey.

Resolved by the city council of the city of Rochester.

That the committee on

1896 Public Buildings be authorized and instructed to take a deed of the land of Solomon Evans as per recommendation of the committee appointed last year. and that the sum of seven hundred dollars be hired on note or notes of said city to pay for the same.

On motion of Councilman Barker voted to refer to committee on legal affairs.

Resolution to take deed of lot of S. Evans

By the request of the committee on Public Instruction, the School Board made the following report.

Report of School Board

To the committee on Public Instruction

Assuming that the words "outlying districts" in the foregoing order are intended the schools outside the three villages, the School Board would report that we have fourteen such schools and also that the city pay one third of the expense of the school at South Milton. Of these fourteen only two, the Adams Corner and South Rochester schools have as many as 15 pupils, 11 have from 8 to 13 and one only 3 in attendance this term. Of those having less than 15 scholars, three teachers are paid each $10 two $9 and the remainder $8 per week.

The fuel for each when fitted costs from $18 to $20 a year and janitors $8.00 per year except for the two Meaderboro schools. These rooms being heated by a furnace require the care of a man. We pay him $36 per year or $18 for each room



1896 The Board would suggest that the attendance of these rural schools is usually less in the winter than in the other terms. Since many of the small scholars are kept at home during the winter months; and further that as a whole their average attendance does not now differ materially from what it has been for the last twenty years at least. These schools have heretofore by the town as well as by the School Board been granted a liberal proportion of school money as a compensation for the taxes paid by our rural inhabitants toward the support of the police and fire departments, the street lights etc from which they derive little direct benefit.

To meet in part the reduction of over $2400 in this years appropriations for schools. the School Board has voted to discontinue at the close of the present term the Chestnut Hills, Waldron and Hooldyton schools, and the Meaderboro primary schools to dispense with the services of the teachers of these schools, and pay the necessary expenses of conveying the scholars to other schools; also to dispense with the services of the teacher in vocal music and two of the six trainings in the training school.

The Board believe they cannot make further reduction in the corps of teachers without reducing the efficiency of the schools unless some of the school houses are relocated. This is a duty that pertains to the

1896 city council and the expediency of such relocation can be readily determined by a committee from its own members
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F. L. Kay
A. B Waldron
A V. Sanborn
C C. Jenkins
H. W. Crocker
Frank L Stussy
Henry Kimball

School Board

On motion of Councilman Whitehouse voted the report lie on the table until some future meeting.

The committee appointed to adjust the salary of Mr Ames asked for further time which was granted.

On motion of Councilman Barker voted to adjourn

Attest
Chas W Brown
City Clerk.



1896. City of Rochester

May 5 1896.

Regular meeting of the city council called to order by the mayor

The following councilmen responded to the roll call.
Ward One Sanson and Fogg.
Ward Two Crocker Ames and Rollins.
Ward Three Whitehouse and Mesder.
Ward Four Dame.
Ward Five Wolf and Trask
Ward Six Barker and Stratton

Bickford of Ward five joined the council before the transaction of business.

Record of previous meeting read and approved.

Petition of American Band

Petition of American Band for permit to obstruct sidewalk temporarily while putting a cellar under their building on Hanson Street.

On motion of councilman Wolf voted the petition be granted.

Petition of R. Thompson & others

Petition of Richard Thompson and others for a sidewalk on Maple street was read, and referred to committee on Highways.

Petition of Kessel Fire Brickles & others

Petition of Kessel Fire Brickles and others to widen and straighten Orchard street, read & referred to committee on Highways

Report of committee on

1896 Sewerage on petition of Francis Saunday to enter Surface drain.

Report on Petition of F. Saunday

Your committee having examined the premises named in the above petition report. That the premises are situated in a depression between Sibbets Avenue and Chestnut Street, and cannot be drained into either Street. That there is a surface drain crossing the premises with which connection can easily be made. They therefor recommend that the petition be granted on the condition that no house drainage shall be allowed to enter the drain; and on the further condition, that a trap satisfactory to the inspector of plumbing be placed on the drain between the building and the surface drain; and that the city of Rochester shall incur no liability thereby.

Respectfully Submitted

Charles S. Barker } Committee
John D. Jagg } on Sewerage

On motion of Councilman Whitehouse voted the report be accepted and the recommendations adopted.

Report on Memorial Day Exercises

Report of Committee on Memorial Day Exercises

To this Honor the mayor and city council of the city of Rochester.

The committee appointed to confer with the members of Sampson Post No 8 G. A. R. in regard to the exercises on Memorial



1896 Day report the following arrangements as agreed upon subject to the approval of the council:

The mayor city clerk and members of the council to meet at the council room at 1-15 P.M. carriages to be provided for their accommodation in front of the city rooms. The procession will start at One thirty P.M. prompty. After the exercises of the afternoon a lunch will be provided at G. A. R. Hall. The mayor city clerk and members of the council to meet at G.A.R. Hall at 7-15 P.M. to escort the Speaker to Grays Opera House and remain seated on the platform during the exercises of the evening.

Respectfully Submitted.

Charles S. Barker } Committee on
S. W. Rollins } Memorial Day Exercises

On motion of councilman Wolf. voted the report be accepted and adopted.

To His Honor the mayor and the city council of the city of Rochester.

Recommendation from committee on Sewerage for the settlement of claims for relaying sewer pipe over private lands during the year 1895.

Recommendation to adjust Sewer damages

The committee on Sewers recommend that for the above named purpose the following sums be paid to the parties hereinafter named.

To Francis Saunday Ten Dollars (10.)

1896 To Andrew Besson Twenty Dollars ($20)
To Charles Besson Ten Dollars ($10)
To John Sanborn Agent
for Mrs Bond Five Dollars ($5)
To Mrs Moulton Fifteen Dollars ($15)
There still remain two parties
to be settled with, and the committee hope to
make satisfactory arrangements with them in a
short time. Respectfully Submitted
Charles A Parker } Committee
John D Fogg } on Sewerage.
On motion of councilman Rollins
Voted that report be accepted and adopted.

Report of committee on land purchase of S Evans

The committee on Legal affairs
reported as follows on the resolution to
purchase land of Solomon Evans for School
purposes.
We the undersigned committee to
whom was referred the within resolution
recommend its adoption Samuel D Parker & C. Frank
Chas S Whitehouse Moved by councilman Parker
that the report be accepted. and the resolution
adopted. Yeas and Nays called with the
following result. Yea Councilmen Lawson
Fogg. Crocker Ames Rollins Whitehouse
Meader Dame. Wolf. Frank Burkford Barker
and Denton 13. none voting Nay the resolution
passed. By the same committee
report on the resolution authorizing the
mayor and committee on Police to use



1896 $200 for detective work.
We the undersigned committee on
Legal Affairs having considered the within resolution
recommend its adoption
Rochester May 11-1896
Samuel D Parker
C. F. Frank
Chas S. Whitehouse
moved by councilman Fogg
that the resolution pass. Councilman Parker
offered to amend by referring to the city Solicitor
for his opinion as to the legality of it.
The amendment was not adopted.
The motion as made by
Councilman Fogg was carried

Report on Resolution for $200 for Detective work

The committee on the Vick
Cemetery Fund reported that they had
engaged the services of Samuel Jefferson
to expend the income of the fund for the
ensuing year. On motion of Councilman
Fogg voted the report be accepted and adopted

Report of committee on Vault

The Special committee on
Vault presented specifications for the same
and stated the estimated cost to be $400.
Moved by councilman Fogg
the report lie on the table, not carried
On motion of councilman Rollins
voted the report be accepted and the recommendations adopted.
The committee appointed

1896 To look up the matter of the School Houses in the Suburban Districts.

Reporting Special Committee on School Houses.

Recommended

That a suitable lot with ample play grounds be purchased in the village of Sonic and a brick School house of eight rooms be erected thereon, for the accommodation of the school children in the village of Sonic and of those in the districts lying South and West of that village. That the Mayor and two members of the Council from the ward in which the building is to be erected) to be appointed by him be authorized to purchase the lot and make all the necessary contracts for the completion of the buildings ready for occupancy. That for the purposes aforesaid the sum of fifteen thousand dollars be borrowed on notes of the city of Rochester

Charles L Barker
Stephen B Stanton
Charles G Trask
} Special Com on School Buildings

On motion of Councilman Bickford voted the report be accepted and adopted.

Resolution to purchase lot and erect School House

By Councilman Barker

Resolution appropriating money for the purchase of a lot and the erection of an eight room Brick School House in the village of Sonic.

That said sum be raised on note or notes of the city and constitute a portion of the city debt.



1896 Referred to committee on Bills in their Second Reading.

Report on Ames Salary.

The Special committee appointed to adjust the Salary of Mr Ames for engineering work reported in substance that he be allowed thirty five cents per hour for services rendered by him in 1895.

On motion of councilman Barker voted the report be accepted and adopted and its provisions carried out.

Election of Selectmen in ward 3.

On motion of councilman Whitehouse voted to proceed to ballot for Selectman in ward three to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Thos S. Pease

On motion of councilman Barker voted the councilman from ward three Mr Whitehouse be instructed to cast one vote for Edward S Evans which was done.

Resolution to disconnect private drains.

By Councilman Whitehouse.

Resolved by the city council of the city of Rochester,

That the superintendent of Sewers be authorized and instructed to disconnect any private drain now running into the Surface Sewers and he is hereby authorized to dig up any portion of the highway for that purpose.

On motion of councilman Barker voted the rules be suspended and the resolution pass.

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By councilman Barker

Resolved by the city council of the city of Rochester,

That the city solicitor be instructed to summons into court all those parties who failed to disconnect their private drains from the surface sewer running through the land of the heirs of Henry Stark when so notified by the Board of Health, or who now are connected with said surface sewer, to defend the action Sarah A. Kimball vs city of Rochester now pending in the Supreme Court for the County of Strafford,

Referred to committee on legal affairs.

Parties connected with surface sewer to be summoned into court.

By councilman Barker,

Resolved by the city council of the city of Rochester,

That the sum of seven hundred fifty dollars be raised by note or notes of said city. Five hundred dollars of the same to be used to purchase a city team, and two hundred and fifty dollars to put in the police clock system.

Moved by councilman Meader that the rules be suspended and the resolution pass. Yeas and Nays called, which resulted as follows. Yea councilmen Iverson Fogg Lawton Ames Rollins Whitehouse Meader

Resolution of appropriation for City Team and Police Clocks.



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Dann Wolf Stark Bickford Barker and Iverson. 13 none voting nay, and the resolution passed.

By councilman Ames,

Resolved by the city council of the city of Rochester,

That the mayor appoint a committee of citizens to act with the committee on Main Statue in soliciting funds and making the necessary arrangements for a public dedication of said statue.

Said joint committee shall determine the time and manner of said public dedication and are instructed to invite the Strafford Main and other donors of funds to be present on that occasion. Referred to committee on Main Statue.

Resolution for dedication of Main Statue

By councilman Whitehouse

Resolved by the city council of the city of Rochester,

That Dr Robert V Lynch be invited to present his portrait to the city to be hung in the council chamber and to be properly inscribed as the thirst mayor of Rochester.

By mayor Invest to present his portrait

On motion of councilman Barker voted the resolution pass.

The mayor stated to the council that Dr Lynch had purchased and presented to the city of Rochester

1896 the old Hearse of the Rochester Cemetery
associations.

On motion of councilman Whitehouse voted the thanks of the council be extended to Dr Swett the Hearse to be placed in charge of the Board of Health. and the Clerk is hereby instructed to convey to Dr Swett the action of the council.

Thanks to Dr Swett for gift to the city

The Rules and Regulations of the Board of Health were approved.

By councilman Scruton.

Owing to the reckless driving of supposed fast horses and old plugs of all kinds across Central Square and up and down our principle streets and the seemingly organized attempt to make a race course of our most crowded thoroughfares and the apparent disregard of the rights and safety of those who either walk from necessity or choice Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Rochester, that the City marshal be and is hereby directed and ordered to enforce Section 18 of Chapter 264 of the Public Statutes which reads as follows. No person shall ride through a street or lane in the compact part of a town at a swifter pace than at the rate of five miles an hour.

Resolution against fast Driving

On motion of councilman Whitehouse voted the resolution pass



1896 and the marshal be instructed to enforce its provisions.

Report of the City Marshal for April read and ordered to be placed on file.

On motion of councilman Bickford voted the Sophia D Hall fund for the improvement of Central Square be placed in the hands of the committee on the improvement of Central Square.

Sophia D Hall Fund placed in hands of committee on main Street

The committee on Fire Department made the following report on the Petition of M H. Plummer per permit to erect a Stable near his residence on Railroad Ave.

Report on petition of M H Plummer

The committee on Fire Dept to whom the above petition was referred having looked over the premises, and as in our judgement it will not increase the fire risk we would recommend the petition be granted

Marvin S. Blaisdell
Jay D. Hussey } Fire Dept.

On motion of councilman Rollins. voted the report be accepted and adopted.

On motion of councilman Wood voted to adjourn to one week from tonight.

Attest

Chas W. Brown
City Clerk.

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City of Rochester

May 12th 1896

Adjourned meeting of the City Council met agreably to adjournment.
The mayor in the chair.

Roll call of the council showed as present

Ward One Lowson Fogg and Blaisdell
Ward Two Ames and Rollins.
Ward Three Domme and Hussey
Ward Five Avery Trask and Bickford
Ward Six Barker and Scruton

Nathaniel S Kimball of ward six. — Kimball of ward 6 sworn in
presented certificate of election to the council was present and took the oaths of office

Committee on the Main Statue made the following report on the resolution for dedication,

Report of committee on dedication of main statue

The committee on Main Statue to whom was referred the resolution in reference to a public dedication of said statue recommend the adoption of the resolution and that the committee through the mayor invite Hon Charles Main and others donors of funds to attend said celebration and the Governor and his council be requested to be present on that occasion as guests of the city

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Simon Avery
John D Fogg
John W Domme
Committee on Main Statue



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On motion of councilman Ames voted the report be accepted and adopted.

Report on petition of W. B Turner and others. — Report on Petition of W. B Turner & others

Your committee to whom was referred the petition of Wm B. Turner and others. That Orchard Street be widened and straightened. recommend that it be made a fifty foot wide street according to city Ordinances and the necessary amount be taken from northerly side. of Sweetzer estate and that petitioners be granted a hearing on Tuesday June 2nd next at seven o'clock P.M.

Chas. N. Bickford
S. B Scruton
Committee on Highways

On motion of councilman Trask voted the recommendation of the committee for a hearing be granted.

Appointment of committee

The mayor appointed councilman Kimball committee on Highways and Fire Department in place of Morrill resigned. Also councilmen Meader and Lowson as committee on Police with the Mayor.

Communication from Ames

A communication was received from Mr Ames in relation to his pay for engineering services moved by councilman Barker the communication be referred to committee appointed to adjust his salary

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The motion did not prevail.

Moved by councilman Stussey that the vote accepting and adopting the report of the special committee appointed to adjust Mr Ames salary be reconsidered.

Roll called which resulted as follows.

Yea. Councilmen Worson Fogg Blaisdell Ames. Dame Stussey Wolf Bickford and Kimball 9. Nay councilmen Rollins Cook Barker and Scruton 4.

The required majority of the whole council not voting yea. the motion did not prevail.

On motion of councilman Bickford voted the communication lie on the table to the next meeting

By Councilman Scruton.

Resolved by the city council of the city of Rochester,

That the committee on highways be authorized and instructed to purchase a street sweeper for the use of the Highway Department.

Resolution to purchase Street Sweeper

Referred to committee on Highways. No other business coming before the council voted to adjourn

Attest

Chas W Brown

City Clerk.



1896.

City of Rochester

June 2 1896.

Regular meeting of the city council called to order by the mayor.

The following councilmen were present and responded to roll call.

Ward One Blaisdell,

Ward Two Crocker Ames and Rollins

Ward Three Whitehouse and Meader

Ward Four Dame and Stussey

Ward Five Wolf Cook and Bickford

Ward Six Barker Kimball and Scruton.

Record of last meeting read and approved.

Hearing on the petition for the widening and straightening of Orchard Street being in order. W. H. Lucas Supt of Rescue Fire Dept. was sworn.

Hearing Orchard St

On motion of Councilman Wolf voted to adjourn the hearing to July 7 at 7-30 o'clock P.M.

Report on Resolution to purchase Sweeper

The committee on Highways reported as follows on the resolution to purchase a Street Sweeper.

Your committee to whom was referred the above resolution, respectfully submit that a new sweeper would cost from $325 to $375. That a second hand sweeper best little used, only a little too light on pavement in Boston but suitable for concrete, can be purchased of the city of

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Boston for $100. Therefore your committee recommend it. purchase and an appropriation of $100 to pay for the same.

C. M. Beckford ( Committee
N. J Kimball / on
J B Scruton / Streets.

On motion of Councilman Wolf voted the report be accepted and the recommendations adopted and a sufficient sum appropriated from the highway department for this purpose.

Report on petition for Sidewalk Maple St

By the same committee report on petition for sidewalk on Maple Street.

Your committee to whom was referred the petition for sidewalk on Maple Street Respectfully recommend that while a brick or concrete sidewalk is needed on the Northerly side of said Street from Main Street to School House a distance of Six Hundred feet, Your committee do not think the appropriation warrants the expenditure at this time. and would recommend the petition lay on the table for the present.

C. M. Beckford ( Committee
N. J Kimball / on Street
J. B. Scruton / and Sidewalks.

On motion of Councilman Wolf voted the report be accepted.

On motion of Councilman Rollins voted the petition lie on the table for future action.



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Report of committee on Bills in Second Reading on resolution appropriating money for a School house and lot on Sonia St.

Report of Committee on Bills in Second Reading on Sonia School House

Your committee having examined the above named resolution report the same in proper form.

C. S Barker ( Com on Bills
John D Fogg / in Second
Jay D Amey / Reading

Moved by Councilman Barker the resolution pass. The yeas and nays being called the result was as follows.

Yea Councilmen Blaisdell. Crocker Rollins Whitehouse Meader Dame Frank Beckford Barker Kimball and Scruton 11.

Nay Councilmen Ames Amey and Wolf 3

The necessary two thirds not voting yea the resolution did not pass.

Ames Communication

The communication of Wm McAmes taken from the table. after some discussion it was voted the communication be placed on file,

By Councilman Wolf.

Janitor to care for Lawn

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Rochester.

That the janitor be instructed to keep the lawn around the Main Statue mown and the granite work in proper conditions. Referred to committee on Main Statue.

1896 By Councilman Wolff.

Resolved by the city council of the city of Rochester.

That the sum of Ten cents per hour be paid to Wm W Ames for the number of hours worked by him since January 1st 1895 in addition to the thirty cents per hour heretofore voted by the council, and all resolutions heretofore passed by said council inconsistent with this resolution are hereby repealed.

Resolution to pay Ames.

Referred to committee on Water work.

Bill of Geo S Varney for hay and grain delivered to J. T. Goodwin by order of Sanitary officer referred to committee on Legal affairs.

Bill of Geo S Varney

By Councilman Stressy

Resolved by the city council of the city of Rochester.

That the City Marshal, asst Marshal and night watchmen are hereby granted a vacation of two weeks each under pay; the time of said vacations to be determined by the mayor and City Marshal.

Resolution for Police Vacation

Referred to committee on Police.

By Councilman Kimball.

In view of the fact, that in the near future a suitable lot convenient to our business center will be needed for a city building, Central Fire



1896 Station, Public Library &c and that the McDuffee so called, on Wakefield street in point of location and size is particularly adapted for this purpose, and that the buildings now on the lot can be utilized at a small expense for city offices, Council and Police Court rooms, work shops and storage for Water and Street department, land for Sewer pipe &c convenient to the Side track of the railroad, saving to the city rents equal to 3 1/2 per cent on $13,500. until such time as permanent buildings are erected; and that when such buildings are erected, the city can dispose of land and buildings to pay half the expense of buying the McDuffee lot.

Resolution to purchase McDuffee lot.

Therefor be it resolved by the City Council of the city of Rochester

Sec 1 That the sum of twelve thousand dollars be and the same hereby is appropriated, for the purchase of the John McDuffee lot, So called on Wakefield, Street with all the buildings thereon.

Sec 2. The above sum of $12,000 to be hired on the note or notes of the city and to constitute a portion of the city debt.

Sec 3, The Standing committee on Finance are hereby empowered to carry into effect the provisions of this resolution, and take a deed of the same in the name of the city.

Referred to committee on

1896 Bills in Second Reading.

On motion of councilman Wolf voted the committee on Main Statue, through the mayor, invite the mayors of the several cities in the state, the Governor and staff to attend the dedicatory exercises of the Parson Main Statue.

mayors and Gov & staff to be invited

On motion of councilman Parker voted to adjourn

attest

Chas N. Brown
City Clerk



1896. City of Rochester

July 7 1896

Regular meeting of the city council called to order by the mayor.

The following councilmen responded to the roll call.

Ward One. Lawson Sopp and Blaisdell
Ward Two Brooks Ames and Rollins
Ward Four Dame, Page and Stussy
Ward Five Wolf Trask and Bickford
Ward Six Parker Kimball.

Record of last meeting read and approved.

Hearing on Orchard St continued

The hearing on the petition for the widening of Orchard Street was called and on motion of councilman Bickford voted the hearing be continued to August fourth at 2-30 o'clock.

Petition of Foreman Bros to obstruct Sidewalk

Petition of Foreman Bros for permit to use sidewalk in front of their store during repairs on the same.

On motion of councilman Rollins voted the request be granted.

Petition of Geo. L Varney

Petition of Geo. L Varney for permit to make repairs on his house on Central ave presented, and on motion of Wolf voted the request be granted.

By councilman Stussy

Resolved by the city council of the city of Rochester, That the Superintendent

1896 ∇ Sewers be authorized and instructed to sell what Sewer pipe the city will not need in the immediate future. providing he can obtain a satisfactory price for the same

Resolution to sell Sewer Pipe

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Referred to committee on Sewerage.

Petition of W. H. Foster & others to widen and straighten Highway to Genesee road

Petition to widen & straighten Genesee road

By Councilman Wolf

Resolved by the city council of the city of Rochester

That the sum of thirty five hundred dollars be raised on note or notes of the city of Rochester for the purpose of paying bills contracted and to be contracted in heating and plumbing East Rochester School House The above to constitute a portion of the city debt.

Resolution of Appropriation E. Rochester School House

Referred to committee on bills in Second Reading.

Resolution for Vacation for the regular Police introduced at the last meeting called up. letters were read from the several cities of the States in relation to vacations.

Police vacation

On motion of councilman Hasse voted the Marshal. Asst Marshal. and night watch be granted two weeks leave of absence under pay.

By councilman Barker

Resolution to pay damages for the relaying of Sewer.



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Resolved by the city council of the city of Rochester

Resolution to pay Sewer damage

That the following sums be paid by the city of Rochester in full settlement for the relaying of Sewer pipe over land of Richard Thompson and John Thompson

To Richard Thompson Eighteen dollars ($18.00)

" John Thompson Six " ($6.00)

On motion of councilman Barker voted the rules be suspended and the resolution pass

Committee on Person main Statue reported as follows on Resolution in relation to the case of the lawn around the main Statue

Report of com on main statue

In consideration of the fact that the janitor is now receiving good pay for the duties that are required of him in our judgement the case of the lawn and the Statue should be a portion of his duties.

Simon Wolf
John D. Fox
John W. Dame

} committee on main Statue

Committee on Bills in their Second reading, made the following report on the resolution for the purchase of the John McDuffee lot. So called.

The committee on Bills in their Second reading, to whom the above resolution was referred, report the same as in proper form

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L. L. Barker / Communication
John D. Fogg / Bills in three
Jay D. Hussey / Several readings

McDuffee
Re Resolution
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On motion of councilman Kimball voted the resolution lie on the table & the next meeting

Committee on Bills in Second Reading reported as favorable on the resolution of appropriation for East Rochester School House, That the resolution is in proper form.

Resolution for E Roch School House passed

On motion of councilman Barker voted the rules be suspended that the resolution may pass.

Yeas and nays called on the passage of the resolution.

Yea. Councilmen Lonson Fogg Blaisdell Crocker Ames Rollins Dame Page Hussey Wolf. Trask Beckford Barker Kimball and Stanton. 14

and the resolution passed

By Councilman Dame,

Resolved by the city council of the city of Rochester,

Resolution of Thanks.

That the thanks of the city of Rochester are hereby extended to the following organizations for their participation in the exercises of the dedication of the Person Main Statue thereby contributing very materially to the success of the occasion.

To Sampson Post. G. A. R



1896. The Sons of Veterans. Lieutenant Swasey & Johns. Lovely. and the Ancient order of Hibernians. Also to Capt S. W Hayes for kindly giving the use of his hall for the banquet That the city clerk is hereby authorized and instructed to furnish a copy of these resolutions to each of the above mentioned orders, and to Capt S. W Hayes.

On motion of Councilman Fogg. voted the resolution pass

Marshal's report for May and June read and ordered to be placed on file.

The committee on Highways reported that a hearing would be granted on the petition of W H Tasker and others on the fourth day of August at four o'clock P. M. which was voted by the council

Hearing on Highway appointed

On motion of councilman Rollins voted to adjourn

Attest

Chas W Brown
City Clerk

1896

City of Rochester

August 4- 1896

Regular meeting of the city council called to order by the mayor and the Roll call showed the following members present

Ward one Lawson Fogg and Blauvelt
Ward two Crocker Ames and Rollins
Ward three Whitehouse and Meade
Ward four Dame Page and Hussey
Ward five Wolf Trask and Bickford
Ward six Barker Kimball and Scruton.

Record of last meeting read and approved.

The hearing on the petition for the widening of Orchard Street, being in order. W. H. Turner and Chas W. Stuper called as witnesses. Leslie P. Snow appeared for the petitioners. after the testimony of the witnesses. On motion of councilman Barker voted the prayer of the petitioners be granted. and Orchard street be widened by taking off twenty feet on the North Said of said Street. — Orchard Street Widening

Hearing on the petition of W. H. Felker and others for the widening and straightening of the road to Lonie. G. F. Smith called and testified to the importance of granting the prayer of the petitioners. — Lonie road widening

On motion of Councilman Fogg. voted the Street be widened as proposed.



1896. Recess declared to consider the matter of damages.

After calling to order on motion of councilman Whitehouse voted the following awards be made occasioned by the widening of Orchard Street. — Award of Damages Orchard St

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| G. G. & St. G. Greenfield | $25.00 |
| G. F. Greenfield & wife Ward | 25.00 |
| Mrs Mary F. Browney | 250.00 |

On motion of councilman Lawson voted the following awards be made occasioned by the widening and straightning of the Lonie road. — Award of Damages Lonie Road

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| Susan Sanborn | 175.00 |
| J. F. Dodge & Heirs of S. F. Varney | 75.00 |
| Benj F. Hayes | 125.00 |
| J. Arthur McDuffee | 25.00 |
| J. Arthur McDuffee Adaline G. Steel and Lucy M. Lawrence | 40.00 |
| Warren A. Osborn and Hiram S. Osborn | 50.00 |
| Theresa Reynolds | 1.00 |
| G. & St. Elliott | 1.00 |
| Napoleon Lonais | 1.00 |
| Wm McNally | 1.00 |
| James D. Allen | 1.00 |
| Jerome Hayes. | 1.00 |
| G. F. Smith | 1.00 |

Petition of Louis Bisson and others for a Sidewalk on Tebbetts Ave, referred to committee on Highways. — Petition for Sidewalk Tebbetts Ave

Petition of Robert Wallace and others for the macadamizing or otherwise — Macadamizing Railroad Ave

1896 the placing in proper condition Railroad
avenue.

Refused to the committee on Roads
Bridges & Drains.

The resolution for the purchase
of the McDuffee lot, taken from the table
and considered.

Councilman Kimball offered
the following amendment.

That there be inserted
in the deed conveying the McDuffee lot
to the city of Rochester the following words,
"that said lot is conveyed to said city upon
the condition that no city shall shall be built
upon the same for the period of ten years
from the date of said deed."
and the amendment was adopted. on the
passage of the resolution as amended
the yeas & nays were called with the
following result. Yea. councilmen Fogg
Lawson Blaisdell Crocker Whitehouse
Meader Dame Hussey Wolf Frank Bickford
and Kimball 12. Nay. Councilmen Ames. Page
and Baker. the necessary two thirds having
voted Yea. the resolution passed.

On motion of councilman
Baker voted the mayor be authorized
to settle with the insurance company for
loss by fire of the Sonie engine house
for Six Hundred fifty dollars.

Amendment to Resolution to purchase McDuffee Lot

Passage of Resolution to purchase McDuffee Lot

mayor to settle with Ins. Co for damage to Sonie Engine House



1896 City marshal's report for July read and
ordered to be placed on file.

On motion of councilman
Fogg voted. the committee on Water works
report on matter of the adjustment of Ames
Salary at the next regular meeting of the
council.

Moved by councilman Lawson
and Seconded by councilman Fogg that
the vote June 2. 1896 on a motion of council
man Baker of Ward Six to appropriate money
for building a new School house in ward
3. which motion did not pass by reason of
the necessary two thirds of those present not
voting for it. be and the same is hereby recon-
sidered. and that the original motion of
councilman Baker be in order to be consid-
ered at this or some future meeting of the
Council. Yeas & nays called and the
result was as follows.
Yea. councilman Lawson Fogg Blaisdell
Crocker Ames Whitehouse Meader Dame
Hussey, Wolf Frank Bickford Baker and
Kimball 14- Nay councilman Page 1.
and the motion to reconsider prevailed.
On the passage of the resolution. yeas and
Nays called. as follows. Yea councilmen
Lawson Fogg. Blaisdell Crocker Whitehouse
Meader Dame Frank Bickford Baker and
Kimball -11- Nay Councilmen Ames Page

Committee on Water Works to report on Ames Salary

Reconsideration of vote on Sonie School House

Vote on resolution to build School House at Sonie

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Hussey and Wolf H. and the Resolution did not pass.

On motion of councilman Whitehouse voted. That a Special committee of three be appointed by the Mayor to enquire into the alleged indignity put upon the wife of Wm H Sonbarn July 24 by Special policeman Moses Sturr and upon such testimony as may be presented to them. report their findings to this council.

committee of investigation Mrs. Sturrett

On motion of councilman Barker voted the Superintendent of Sewers be instructed to sell what pipe is not needed provided a suitable price can be obtained,

Supt of Sewers to sell Sewer Pipe

On motion of councilman Bickford voted to adjourn,

Attest

Chas W. Brown

City Clerk

The mayor appointed committee to investigate charges against special officer Sturr. councilmen Hussey and Wolf.

committee in Sturr case

Attest

Chas W Brown

City Clerk



1896.

Chas. W. Brown Esq

City Clerk.

Please call a Special council meeting for Wednesday evening at 7-30 P.M. to act upon the following subjects, viz: The fitting up of Niger engine House and the rights of the Engine Co in the same. The appointment of a Special Police for Sonic. To see what shall be done to utilize the McDuffee lot and house for city purposes. To raise money necessary to erect a School house at Sonic, and to purchase a horse for city purposes.

order for Special meeting

Very truly,

Samuel D Felker

Rochester Aug 10 1896 Mayor

Agreeably to the above order a notice was mailed to each member of the council of a Special meeting August 12 1896

Chas. W Brown

City Clerk

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City of Rochester

August 12 - 1896

Special meeting of the council called to order by the mayor with the following councilmen present,

Ward Two Crocker Ames and Rollins

Ward Three Meader

Ward Four Hussey

Ward Five Wolf and Trask

Ward Six Baker Kimball and Scruton

Appointment of Special Police at Gonic

The mayor appointed John J Fogg as special Police at Gonic, and on motion of councilman Meader voted the appointment be confirmed,

Resolution to purchase Horse

By councilman Baker,

Resolved by the city council of the city of Rochester that the sum of One Hundred Dollars be appropriated from the highway department to purchase a horse for said department. The committee on highways shall have full power to purchase the same.

On motion of councilman Trask voted the rules be suspended and the resolution pass.

committee to look over McDuffee House

By councilman Kimball,

Resolved by the city council of the city of Rochester,

That a committee of three be appointed to look over the McDuffee house and lot, and make report as to how the same may be best utilized for city



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purposes and said committee may procure plans estimates and bids as to remodeling the house for city use,

On motion of councilman Rollins voted the resolution pass.

On motion of councilman Baker voted the mayor be one of the committee,

committee to obtain estimates and plans for Gonic School House

By councilman Meader,

Resolved by the city council of the city of Rochester,

That the special committee on purchasing a lot, and building a school house in ward three, obtain plans and estimates of cost, and the difference in expense between a six room school house and an eight room school house with two rooms unfinished, and report the same to this council,

On motion of councilman Rollins voted the resolution pass.

Petition of Fred Ellis

Petition of Fred Ellis for permit to move a small building from Hancock street to Chamberlain street was granted,

committee to fix up Gonic engine House

On motion of councilman Baker, voted that a committee of three be appointed to see that the outside of the engine House at Gonic is fixed up, and the room for the school be fitted up suitable for school purposes,

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On motion of councilman Wolf voted the same committee consult with Liberty Engine Co. and See what arrangements can be made as to the ownership of the building

committee to consult as to ownership

On motion of councilman Barker voted to adjourn

Attest

Chas W Brown
City Clerk

committee on Mr Duffy lot and Genesee Engine House

The mayor appointed the following committee on Mr Duffy house and lot to act with the mayor. councilmen Kimball and Blaisdell.

On Genesee Engine House councilmen Barker Trask and Scruton.

Attest

Chas W. Brown
City Clerk



1894.

City of Rochester

September 1st 1894

Regular meeting of the city council called to order by the mayor.

Roll called to which the following councilmen responded.

Ward One Corson Fogg and Blaisdell

Ward Two Ames and Rollins.

Ward Three Meade

Ward Four Dame and Stussy

Ward Five Wolf Trask and Bickford

Ward Six Barker Kimball and Scruton.

Record of previous meeting read and approved.

claim of N. Preston for damages

Claim of Nathaniel Preston for injuries to self and horse from a defective culvert read and referred to committee on Legal affairs.

Barker to act on com on Legal affairs in certain cases

The mayor appointed councilman Barker to act with the committee on Legal affairs instead of the mayor on the above claim and also on the case of Jewell Vs the city of Rochester, and in the place of councilman Trask on the case of Trask Vs the city of Rochester.

Protest of D. T. Jenness and others

Protest of Daniel T. Jenness and others against concentration of Schools in their part of the city, was read and referred to Special committee on School Houses.

Petition of S. S. Stowe and

1896 others. asking that a license might be fixed on barges coming from out of town to transport passengers to and from the fair grounds during fair week.

Petition for License for Barges

Refered to committee on Legal affairs,

Petition to widen Summer Street

Petition of S. Josselyn and others to widen and straighten Summer street read and refered to committee on Roads Bridges and Drains,

To Charles T. Frank, Simon Wolf and Jay D Stussy. At the suggestion of several Councilmen you are hereby appointed a committee to look over the Engine House and lot on Hanson Street, and report to the Council the advisability of disposing of the same.

Appointment of Com on Hanson St. property

Samuel D Ferker

mayor.

To the City Council of the city of Rochester.

Report of com on Hanson street property

The undersigned having examined said Engine House find the same inadequate to the wants of said city. Said Engine House and lot can be sold for a good price and we would recommend that the same be disposed of; and that a new fire station be erected upon the city lot.

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Charles T. Frank

Jay D Stussy

Simon Wolf



1896 Recess of five minutes declared. after which on motion of Councilman Jay, voted the report of the committee be accepted.

Committee to Sell Hanson Street Property

Then on motion of the same councilman voted the Special committee on the Hanson street property, together with the Mayor, advertise the above mentioned property to be sold at auction, the city reserving the right of one bid.

Moved by councilman Baker that the committee on Highways with the Mayor take into consideration the alleged encroachment on the Highway by Jeneman Brothers, in their alterations on McDuffee Block. Councilman Kimball moved to amend by substituting the Legal committee for the committee on Highways. the amendment was adopted, and the motion as amended carried,

Jeneman Brothers encroachment on Sidewalk

The committee on Roads Bridges and Drains, to whom was referred the petition to macadamize Railroad avenue reported as follows,

Report of com on Railroad avenue macadamized

Your committee to whom was referred a petition to macadamize Railroad Avenue recommend that the petition be granted, and the sum of twelve hundred dollars be appropriated for this purpose

C. W. Bickford
N. T. Kimball
J. B. Scranton
} committee on Roads Bridges and Drains

1896 On motion of Councilman Wolf voted the report of the committee be accepted,

On motion of Councilman Fogg voted the recommendation of the committee be adopted,

Report of committee on Tebbetts avenue Sidewalk

By the same committee,

Your committee to whom was referred a petition for a sidewalk on Tebbetts avenue respectfully recommend that a brick sidewalk with stone curbing that would cost about one thousand dollars, be laid on the south side of said street, provided the street be made forty four feet wide, Jo. W. Bickford } Committee
N. S. Kimball } Roads Bridges
S. B. Scruton } and Drains.

On motion of Councilman Barker voted the report and the petition lie on the table to the next meeting.

Report of committee on Case Mr & Sterrett

Report of the committee of investigation of alleged indignities offered Mrs Wm H Sanborn by Street officer Moses L. Sterrett.

The committee appointed by the Mayor to inquire into the above charges, notified both parties to meet at the council room on Monday the 31st day of August at two o'clock in the afternoon when the committee would be present to listen to such evidence as might be presented,

At the appointed time and



1896 place, Mrs Sanborn and officer Sterrett appeared, and some witnesses summoned by each party. The committee heard the story of each party, and also the evidence of the several witnesses, and after a careful consideration of the case beg leave to submit the following report.

It appears that on that day, (the day of Barnum's circus parade in town) the streets were very much crowded, and the officers had a great deal of difficulty in keeping the highway passable; that officer Sterrett spoke to Mrs Sanborn who had a team on the street several times to drive along; it appeared on her testimony she tried to do so, but Mr Sterrett thinking she was not making proper effort to get out of the way, got into the wagon and drove the team out of the crowd, gave the reins to Mrs Sanborn or to the young man with her and left them.

After he had left, it was discovered that Mrs Sanborn's parasol was broken evidently caused by Mr Sterrett having placed his foot on it. Mrs Sanborn took it, got out of the wagon and went where Mr Sterrett was, and demanded for it. Mr Sterrett told her to go away, she was very persistant in her demands for payment. Mr Sterrett says he told her, and the statement was corroborated by another witness, to come over to-morrow and if he broke the parasol

1896 he would pay for it; Mrs Sanborn was not satisfied with this, but continued her demands for speedy settlement. Mr Steven then locked her up.

It appears to your committee Mrs Sanborn was provoked to have the officer drive her team out of the way, and the loss of the parasol was an added insult to her injuries. There would have evidently been no trouble had it not been for the broken parasol. It appears that officer Steven in the discharge of his laborious duties on that day, was aggravated by the apparent indifference of Mrs Sanborn to aid him, and her urgent demands for speedy adjustment of her difficulties, while he was doing his best to keep the streets clear, although the officer was undoubtedly aggravated, it was very indiscreet for him to lock up Mrs Sanborn and should not have been done.

In consideration of the fact that Mr Steven has always proved an efficient officer, and as this appears to have been the first mistake of this nature; and as he has been suspended from duty since that time, your committee feel that he has received sufficient punishment for the error committed, but would admonish him to be more careful in the future, and on no account to allow a repetition of any such indiscretion.

Respectfully Submitted. Frank W Bonsor, Special
David M Ames
Simon Woolf } Com



1896. On motion of councilman Blaisdell voted the report be accepted and adopted.

Committee on Legal affairs to Settle with E. Wentworth

On motion of councilman Barker voted the committee on legal affairs and the city Solicitor be authorized to settle the claim of Ezekiel Wentworth against the city, if deemed advisable.

Report of School Board on Finances

The School Board made a report of school expenses to date and an estimate of necessary expenses to Jan 1st and calling for an additional appropriation.

Referred to committee on Public Instruction.

Appropriation Railroad Avenue

By councilman Barker

Resolution & appropriating money for Macadamizing Railroad avenue.

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Rochester.

That the sum of twelve hundred dollars is hereby appropriated for macadamizing Railroad avenue. The above sum to be raised on note or notes of the city, and to constitute a portion of the city debt.

On motion of councilman Barker voted the rules be suspended that the resolution may pass.

Yeas and Nays called on the passage of the resolution, resulting as follows. Yeas councilmen Bonsor Fogg

1896 Blaisdell Jones meader Dame Hussey Wolf Frank Parker Kimball and Swinton 12. none voting in the negative the resolution passed.

Report of Special committee on McDuffee House and lot.

Report of committee on McDuffee House

To the City Council of the City of Rochester.

Your committee to whom was referred the remodeling of the McDuffee building (So called) for the accommodation of the city business offices Re respectfully Submit the plan attached, which we think will provide ample accommodations for a council room Marshal and Police court room. Mayor and Clerks office, committee room, assessors and Tax Collectors office and Public Library, besides two large rooms on the third floor not shown in the plan which can be used by Engineers, and Sewer and Water committees. We further recommend the first and second floors be heated by steam, using the boiler taken from the East Rochester School house and the pipe and radiators now in the building be utilized, also that a water closet leading from the Library room and one from the front Hall be provided. The approximate cost of these improvement are as follows.

Twelve hundred dollars for steam heating and plumbing. Two Hundred and fifty dollars for heating, and one hundred and



1896 fifty dollars for Plumbing, or a total of Sixteen Hundred dollars. Samuel D Parker

N. J. Kimball

Marvin F. Blaisdell

Recess was declared to look over the plan of the above, after which on motion of Councilman Wolf voted the report be accepted and adopted.

Legal committee to employ Council Jewell case

On motion of councilman Parker voted the committee on Legal affairs employ council to assist the Solicitor in the case of Jewell vs the City of Rochester, if deemed advisable so to do.

By Councilman Kimball

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Rochester.

Appropriation to remodel McDuffee House for City offices

That the sum of Sixteen Hundred Dollars be appropriated to fix up the McDuffee House Suitable to occupy for city offices. Public Library &c that said Sum of Sixteen Hundred dollars be raised on note or notes of the city, and to constitute a portion of the city debt.

On motion of Councilman Wolf voted the rules be suspended that the resolution may pass. On the passage of the resolution the roll was called, and the result as follows. Yea Councilmen Borson Fogg Blaisdell Jones meader Dame Hussey Wolf Frank Bickford Parker Kimball

1896 and Section 13, noes voting nay. the necessary two thirds voting yes the resolution passed.

By Councilman Wolf.

Resolved by the city council of the city of Rochester

The city clerk is hereby authorized and instructed to notify Lizzie Roberts to vacate the McDuffie house, in the shortest time allowed by law, if deemed advisable

City Clerk to notify certain parties

On motion of councilman Fogg voted the rules be suspended and the resolution pass.

By Councilman Wolf.

Resolved by the city council of the City of Rochester.

The city clerk is hereby instructed to notify all owners of buildings occupied by the city of the intention of the city to vacate the same if deemed advisable

On motion of councilman Marden voted the rules be suspended and the resolution pass.

Committee on McDuffie House to call for bids to make minor changes in plans

On motion of councilman Wolf voted the Special committee on the McDuffie House submit plans and specifications and call for bids for the remodeling of the same,

On motion of councilman Trask voted the committee have authority to make any minor changes in the plans they may deem advantageous to the city



1896. On motion of councilman Wolf voted that if Miss Roberts vacate the house in ten days she be charged no rent.

Miss Roberts to be charged no rent

The committee on water works made the following report re/the Resolution to settle with W. McAmes.

Report of Committee on Ames Salary

The committee to whom the above resolution was referred, present the following report.

In our opinion a definite agreement should have been made with Mr Ames before he commenced work, and it should have been understood whether he was to receive 30-35 or 40 cents per hour, and notwithstanding Mr Ames expressed his willingness to work for the former sum, in the absence of any positive arrangement, his claim of 40¢ per hour would be a legitimate one against the city. We therefor recommend that the claim of W. McAmes be settled as the bills have been rendered by him.

To T. Trask
To Meader
To W. Gorsen

Committee on Water Works.

On motion of councilman Wolf voted the report of the committee be accepted and the recommendations adopted

Report of the marshal read and ordered to be placed on file.

The committee on Roads

1896. Bridges and Drains. recommended a hearing be granted on the petition for the widening of Summer Street, and on motion of Councilman Rumball voted that when we adjourn we adjourn to four o'clock Sept 18. and the petitioners for the widening of Summer Street be granted a hearing at that time.

Hearing on Summer Street Appointed

Resignation of John J Rankins as Selectman in Ward one read. and on motion of Councilman Fogg voted the resignation be accepted, and that councilman Iverson of ward one be instructed to cast one vote for Charles L. Rude & fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Mr Rankins. The vote was so reported and Mr Rude declared elected,

Resignation of J. Rankins

On motion of Councilman Wolf voted to adjourn to the time specified,

Attest

Chas. W. Brown

City Clerk



1896 City of Rochester

September 18 1896 4 PM

Adjourned meeting of the city council called to order by the mayor. No quorum being present the hearing on petition to widen Summer Street was continued to 7-30 PM this day and the council adjourned to that time,

Attest

Chas W Brown

City Clerk

1896

City of Rochester

September 8, 1896

Adjourned meeting of the city council called to order by the mayor. The following councilmen were present and responded to roll call.

Ward one Sorson
Ward Two Brooker Ames and Rollins
Ward Three Whitehouse and Meader
Ward Four Dome and Hussey
Ward Five Wolf and Bickford
Ward Six Kimball and Scruton.

Summer St Hearing

The hearing on the petition to widen Summer Street being in order, on motion of councilman Kimball it was voted the hearing be adjourned to October 6 – at 7.30 PM for the purpose of issuing other notices.

Petition Granted Central Ave

Petition of Geo L Varney and others to extend Central street was referred to the committee on Roads, Bridges and Drains.

Petition of Dyar P. Hall for permit to move windmill tower from Granite street to his residence on Charles street read, and on motion of councilman Whitehouse voted the petition be granted.

Petition to move Tower

Petition of J. Morrill and others to widen and straighten Chamberlain street, referred to committee on Roads Bridges and Drains.

Petition to Straighten Chamberlain Street

Petition of J. S. Dodge for



1896.

Petition of J. S Dodge to remodel Engine House

permit to cover over the space between the Engine House on Hanson Street and the store occupied by Jno B. Moore, and to erect a flight of stairs under the same and to build out said engine house even with the street and put on a flat roof. On motion of councilman Bickford voted the rules be suspended and the petition granted.

Report of Comm on Legal affairs on petition of Rochester Strange

The committee on legal affairs made the following report.

The committee on legal affairs to whom was referred the vote and petition of Rochester Strange in relation to charging a small annual fee for the use of the Sewers, recommend that some legislation necessary to accomplish the same be obtained from the next legislature and that the committee on legal affairs, and city solicitor draw up a bill for that purpose, and the members of the legislature to be elected from Rochester are instructed to see that such bill becomes a law.

Rochester N H Sept 17 1896

Samuel D Felker
Chas. A. Whitehouse
Charles F. Trask
} Comm on Legal affairs

On motion of councilman Meader voted the report be accepted and the recommendations adopted.

1896 By the same committee.

Report from committee on legal affairs in McDuffee Block

The committee on legal affairs to whom was referred the communication of the Mayor with reference to the encroachment upon the street, caused by the contemplated improvements of Messrs Foreman Brothers upon the north east corner of the McDuffee Block, report that they have conferred with Messrs Foreman Bros and George McDuffee half owner and agent for Mrs Abbie McD Shaw the owner of the other half. They find that the true line comes to the brick work at said corner both on Main and Congress streets and that the building occupied all land belonging to said owners. Messrs Foreman Bros have removed the projections and said owners do not care to contest the city's ownership.

Rochester Sept 12 1896

Samuel D Felker
Chas S. Whitehouse
Chas E. Trask
} Committee on legal affairs

Report on petition of J. S. Stowe

On motion of councilman Whitehouse voted the report be accepted and placed on file. By the same committee.

The committee to whom was referred the petition of J. S Stowe and others in relation to licensing teams which are common carriers of passengers, I approve of the same and recommend the



1896 following ordinance for the consideration of the council, and submit the expediency of its adoption this year.

Rochester N.H. Sept 12 1896

Samuel D Felker
Chas. S. Whitehouse
Charles E. Trask
} Committee on legal affairs

An Ordinance To regulate the licensing of common carriers of the highways of the city.

Proposed Ordinance to license common carriers

Be it ordained by the city council of the city of Rochester. as follows.

The owners or drivers of carriages or other vehicles used for the common conveyance of passengers, on which there was not assessed a tax on the first day of April of each year, shall pay a license fee for the use of said city as follows. Three dollars for single team Five dollars for double teams and two dollars each for each additional horse.

Said license shall be good for the year in which it is granted.

On motion of councilman Whitehouse voted this petition and the recommendation of the committee lie on the table. The mayor appointed the following Special Police to act during the fair and to be paid by the Fair Association. Chas. H. Hayt Rls. Seibuce

Special Police Appointed

1896 David Jellerson Thos W. Gray. Thos J Dudley.

On motion of councilman Rollins voted the nominations be confirmed.

Also the following Special Police Board during the fair and to be paid by the city.

Warren Doggett. Alexander Durgin S. J. Bailey Peter Bagne. Frank Hurd J Freeman Rogers Frank Hodgdon Lyman Pidgeon. John Pidgeon I. B. Watson Patrick Grimes W. H Stevens Myron D. Johnson Albert Cooley J. B. Davis D. P Adams.

On motion of councilman Whitehouse voted the nominations be confirmed.

On motion of councilman Kimball voted to adjourn.

Attest

Chas W. Brown
City Clerk



1896 City of Rochester

October 6th 1896

Regular meeting of the city council called to order by the mayor.

The following councilmen responded to the roll call.

Ward One Lawson Fogg and Blaisdell.
Ward Two Ames and Rollins
Ward Three Whitehouse and Meader.
Ward Four Dame and Hussey
Ward Five Wolf Haskell and Bickford
Ward Six Kimball and Scruton.

The hearing on the petition to widen and straighten Summer Street being in order, the plan of the street was presented and explained by engineer Cassidy.

Ed. Josselyn and Isaac A Varney appeared as parties.

On motion of councilman Lawson voted Summer street be widened and straightened according to the proposed plan.

On motion of councilman Fogg voted a recess of ten minutes to consider damages, after calling to order the damages were awarded to the several land owners. as follows. Hebron Brick twenty dollars
David Hayes Seventy seven 50/100 dollars
Frank P Maguire Four 50/100 dollars
Mrs W. S. Bradley Two 50/100 dollars
Geo B Varney Forty 50/100 dollars

Summer street widened

1896 Chas S. Funk Twenty five 00/100 dollars
Ann Stud Fifty dollars
J. S. Sprugeon & Emma Sprugeon Twenty four
60/100 dollars— Martha A Jones one dollar
O A Hoyt One dollar Ed Josselyn one dollar
Jennie J. Fellon Thos H Roberts Ezekiel
Wentworth. Portland & Rochester RR Co
John A Bridges Eugene Watson
Boston & Maine RR Co
Chas S. Moore Jennie K Cochrane Geo W. Burr
J. Co. Watson Martha A Roberts. Jane S Chivers
Sarah S Hodgdon Frank S Wing. Louis A
Ashley. John Segro Amosa Allen Lucy J
Segro One cent each,

On motion of Councilman Loiseau voted the above sums named be awarded as damages,

The following nominations for Election Inspectors were read, and on motion of Councilman Rollins voted to be confirmed.

Ballot Inspectors Appointed

Ward one Geo H Knox. Warren B. Jones
Chas S Twomby Benj F. Durgin
Ward Two Edgar J. Twomby S. D. Tibbetts
Peter McDonald Chas Valley
Ward Three Winslow S. Pugsley Chas. W Storer
J. S. Allen Henry W. Talker
Ward Four Henry F. Wacker Peter Paissen
Archie Sylvain Joseph St Louis
Ward Five Chas W Leavitt Wm B Wentworth
Frank Chivers John Burbeck



1896. Board of Aldermen H. Plumer Frank R Preston
Chas A Parshley Chas. N Hayes.

The Committee on Legal affairs to whom was referred the claim of Peter Fortier for $157.47 for damages claimed to have occurred by his mare and provision store on Tibbetts Avenue on February 6 1896 by a defective Sewer report that the same can be settled for Fifty ($50.00) dollars and they would recommend such payment from the Sewer department.

Report on claim of Peter Fortier

Samuel D Felker
Chas S Whitehouse
Brian F. Brock

On motion of Councilman Loiseau voted the report be accepted and the recommendations adopted

Aldermen elected in Ward 3

The resignation of Wm B Wentworth Clerk in Ward Three was read and voted the resignation be accepted.

On motion of Councilman Whitehouse voted that Councilman Lonson cast one vote for Graham Yeaton for Clerk in Ward Three and the vote was so deposited, and Graham Yeaton declared elected.

The Special Committee to whom was referred the resolution in regard to building a School House at Gonic. Report that an eight room School house including lot will cost $20,000 and that a six room building and lot will cost $15,000, and they recommend that a six room building be built in such a manner that additional

Gonic School House

1896 room may be obtained by building to the same.

Rochester N H Oct 6 1896

Samuel D Felker
Chas S Whitehouse
C. B Meader

Moved by councilman Ames that the report be accepted and adopted, and that all votes heretofore passed conflicting with this report are hereby repealed. and it was so voted,

Councilman Meader introduced the following resolution.

Resolved by the city council of the city of Rochester.

Resolution of appropriation for Gonic School House

That the sum of fifteen Thousand dollars be raised on notes or notes of said said city for purpose of buying a lot and erecting a six room school house at Gonic, and said sum of fifteen thousand dollars shall constitute a portion of the city debt.

On motion of councilman Whitehouse voted the rules be suspended that the resolution may pass. the roll called on the passage of the resolution with the following result, Yea. Councilmen Berson Fogg Blaisdell Ames Rollins Whitehouse Meader Dame Hussey Wing Frank Bickford Kimball and Scruton 14= Noes voting no, and the



1896. necessary two thirds voting in the affirmative the resolution passed.

Appropriation for Highways

By councilman Bickford,

Resolution to pay for city team and to pay expense incurred in repairing Bridges and culverts,

Resolved by the city council of the city of Rochester.

That the sum of Five Hundred dollars be appropriated to pay for the team purchased this year for the city, agreeably to votes of the city council passed Feb 11 and August 12th That the further sum of One Thousand dollars be appropriated towards paying the expense incurred in repairing and rebuilding Bridges and culverts damaged by the freshet of March 1st

That the above sum of Fifteen Hundred dollars be raised on note or notes of the city and to constitute a portion of the city debt.

On motion of councilman Wing voted the rules be suspended that the resolution may pass.

On the passage of the resolution the roll was called. and the result as follows.

Yea Councilmen Berson Fogg Blaisdell Bowker Ames Rollins Whitehouse Meader Dame Hussey Wing Frank Bickford Kimball and Scruton 14 - Noes 0=

The necessary two thirds voting in the

1896. Appropriating the resolution passed
By Councilman Barker
Resolution re Sewerage.

Resolved by the city council of the city of Rochester.

That the committee on Sewerage are hereby authorized and instructed to extend the sewerage system at East Rochester by building a sewer on Main street from Abbott street to the junction of main and Mill street, and by building a sewer on Grove street on the Northerly side of Highland street for a distance of one hundred feet, also to place the sewers on Highland and Main streets in proper condition. The same to be paid for from the unexpended balance of money appropriated for sewerage at East Rochester. and the material for the same to be purchased by the purchasing committee.

Resolution Extend Sewer at E. Roch

On motion of Councilman Fogg voted the rules be suspended.

Councilman Fogg moved to amend by substituting the words Two Hundred in place of One Hundred So the resolution will read and by building a Sewer on Grove Street on the Northerly Side of Highland Street for a distance of Two Hundred feet.

The amendment was adopted. and the resolution as amended passed.



1896. The report of the City Marshal for Sept. read and ordered to be placed on file.

By Councilman Whitehouse
Resolved by the city council of the city of Rochester.

That the Sum of Two Thousand dollars be hired on note or notes of the City of Rochester for the purpose of purchasing a Steam road Roller. Said Sum of Two thousand dollars shall constitute a portion of the city debt. A committee shall be appointed to purchase said Roller. provided they deem it advisable.

Resolution to purchase Steam Road Roller

On motion of Councilman Fogg voted the rules be suspended that the resolution may pass.

The roll called on the passage of the resolution resulting as follows, Yea Councilmen Benson Fogg Blasdell Thos Rollin Whitehouse Meade Stone Stussy Wing Trask Bickford Kimball and Sexton 14 Nay 0 — and the resolution passed. The mayor appointed the committee to purchase the above Councilmen Trask. Meade and Kimball.

committee to purchase

No other business presented. the council adjourned.

Attest Chas W. Brown
City Clerk

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Rochester N H Oct 29 1896

To the Honorable Mayor of the city of Rochester

We the undersigned respectfully request you to call a special meeting of the City Council on or before November 2d. to elect a moderator to preside over the election in ward 4 of our city, the office having been made vacant by the death of Edwin W. Standley

J. D. Hussey. A R. Saunders John W Dame
S. A Barker David M Ames. Charles F. Clark.

Petition for Meeting

Rochester October 30 - 1896

To Charles W. Brown

City Clerk

In accordance with the above request please call a council meeting monday night Nov 2 at 7.30 o'clock P.M. to fill the vacancy of moderator in ward 4.

Samuel D Felker mayor.



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City of Rochester

Nov 2 1896

In accordance with the foregoing order a notice was mailed to each member of the council October 31st. and the council assembled on the date above mentioned. and called to order by the mayor.

The following councilmen responded to the Roll call

Ward one. Gordon and Fogg.
Ward Two Ames and Rollins
Ward Three Wholehouse and Meader
Ward Four Dame and Hussey
Ward Five Wolf
Ward Six Barker and Scruton.

Notice of meeting read

Election of Moderator Ward 4

On motion of Councilman Hussey, voted that Councilman Barker of ward Six cast one vote for Frank D Hussey for moderator in Ward Four,
and the vote was so deposited, and Frank D Hussey declared elected.
Voted to adjourn.

Attest

Chas W. Brown
City Clerk

1896 City of Rochester

November 5 - 1896

Regular meeting of the city council called to order by the mayor.

The Roll call was responded to by Councilmen Crocker of ward two. No quorum being present the mayor adjourned the meeting to November 6th at 7-30 PM

Attest

Chas W Brown

City Clerk

City of Rochester

November 5 - 1896

Adjourned meeting of the city council called to order by the mayor.

Roll called by the clerk and the following councilmen responded

Ward Two Ames and Rollins

Ward Four Dane and Storey

Ward Five Wolf and Trask

Ward Six Kimball and Scranton

No quorum being present the mayor adjourned the council to Tuesday November 10-

Attest

Chas W Brown

City Clerk



1896 City of Rochester

November 10 1896

Council met as fro adjournment with the mayor in the chair.

The following councilmen responded to the Roll call.

Ward one Lawson

Ward Two Crocker Ames and Rollins

Ward Three Whitehouse and Meader

Ward Four Dane

Ward Five Wolf Trask and Bickford

Ward Six Kimball and Scranton

Record of last meeting read and approved with one correction.

The committee on Public Instruction made the following report.

To the City Council of the City of Rochester

The Committee on Public Instruction to whom was referred the communication of the School Board asking for additional appropriation of money for the school year of 1896 beg leave to report.

That while the committee do not approve of all the methods or expenditures for our School System and believing some things open to criticism. think it impolitic at this period of the year to cripple the School work from want of money, and therefor recommend an additional appropriation of Two thousand Two Hundred dollars.

1896 They recommend the passage of the following resolution.

Resolved, that an additional Sum of Two Thousand Two Hundred dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for School purposes for the year 1896, and the same be raised on notes of the city and constitute a portion of the city debt.

Samuel D Tucker
Chas L. Whitehouse
J Riordan

Committee on Public Instruction

Report of Committee on Public Instruction

Recommended by Councilmen Whitehouse Meader and Baker Bro Sawyer

On motion of Councilman Meader voted the report be accepted and adopted.

Moved by Councilman Whitehouse the rules be suspended that the resolution may pass. Councilman Ames called for a Yea and Nay vote and the result as follows.

Yea. Councilmen Lawson Brooker Ames Rollins Whitehouse Meader Dame Kimball and Swaton, 9

Nay Councilmen Wolf Trask and Bickford.

The motion prevailed and the rules were suspended.

Councilman Ames moved to adjourn to Thursday Nov 12. Councilman Bickford moved to amend by adjourning to the next regular meeting. Yeas and Nays called as follows

Yea Councilman Wolf Trask and Bickford 3.

Nay Councilmen Lawson Brooker Ames Rollins Whitehouse Meader Dame Kimball and Swaton 9



1896. and the amendment was lost.

Councilman Ames moved to amend his motion so as to read that when we adjourn we adjourn to Thursday Nov 12

Councilman Wolf moved to amend to adjourn to two weeks from tonight. the amendment was lost, and the motion of Councilman Ames as amended by him was carried.

On motion of Councilman Ames voted the resolution lie on the table to next Thursday evening.

Petition of Wm O. Richards for permit to move a building from Silver Street to the Miscou Mill was read and on motion of Councilman Rollins voted the petition be granted.

Petition of Wm O. Richards

Petition of Chas B Gaffney for permit to move a tree in front of his house on Wakefield Street read and on motion of Councilman Bickford voted the request be granted.

Petition of Chas B. Gaffney

The resignation of Chas E. Reed as Selectman in ward one read and accepted. On motion of Councilman Whitehouse voted Councilman Lawson of ward one cast one vote for Wilbur E. Cole for Selectman in ward one, and the vote was declared accordingly.

Resignation of Chas E. Reed

Election of Selectman ward one

Resignation of Cyrus S Hill as Councilman in ward three read

Resignation of C. S. Hill

1896 and on motion of Councilman Whitehouse voted the resignation be accepted, and the Selectmen of Ward three be notified to call a meeting to fill the vacancy.

By Councilman Lawson:

Resolved by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Rochester

That the land owned by the Lawson Cycle Mfg Co near Madge Ave shop East Rochester, and any building or buildings used for manufacturing purposes, that may be erected thereon, also their stock in trade tools and machinery or any addition thereto, is hereby exempt from taxation for the term of ten years.

Lawson Cycle Mfg Co Exempted

On motion of Councilman Lawson voted the Rules be suspended and the resolution pass. On the petition for the widening and straightening of Chamberlain Street the Highway Committee reported as follows,

Chamberlain Street Report of Committee

Your committee to whom was referred the petition to widen and straighten Chamberlain Street respectfully recommend that a hearing be granted on said petition,

C. W. Bickford
N. J. Kimball
S. B. Scruton
} Committee on Highways

On motion of Councilman Wolf voted the report be accepted and a hearing be granted, Dec 1st 1896 at four o'clock PM,

The committee on Finance



1896 made the following report on the tax list of 1895

Report of Finance com on Tax list 1895

An examination of the tax list of 1895 that was committed to J. B. Stevens shows that there remains on the list uncollected $90.22 which amount is in small sums for poll taxes, Mr Stevens offers to assume this amount with a discount of 6% and close the account,

The committee on Finance recommend that his offer be accepted.

Samuel D Jackson
Chas S. Frost
} Committee on Finance

On motion of Councilman Wolf voted the report be accepted and the recommendations adopted.

Report of Highway Committee on Ben Ave

On the petition to widen and straighten Central Avenue the committee reported as follows.

Your committee to whom was referred the petition for extending Central Avenue respectfully submit a plan attached drawn by Engineer Cassidy, showing Central Avenue with a width of but forty feet, and what land it would leave the Hanson property if run straight or on a curve.

C. W. Bickford
N. J. Kimball
S. B. Scruton
} Committee on Highways

Voted the report lie on the table to the next meeting, adjourned to the time specified

Attest Chas W Brown
City Clerk

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City of Rochester

November 12 1896

Adjourned meeting of the Council met agreably to adjournment. Mayor Decker in the chair

The following Councilmen answered to roll call.

Ward Two Brocker Ames and Rollins
Ward Three Whitehouse and Meader
Ward Four Dome and Hussey
Ward Five Wolf Trask and Bickford
Ward Six Barker Kimball and Scruton.

Election of Supervisor

Proceeded to elect Supervisor to fill vacancy.

On motion of Councilman Rollins voted Councilman Barker cast one vote for Nahum D. Bury. and the vote was deposited accordingly.

Councilman Wolf introduced the following resolution.

Resolution not to have music in Schools

Resolved by the Mayor and City Council of the city of Rochester,

That it is the sense of this council that in any appropriation made for the School department, no money shall be used for the support of a Singing teacher.

Moved by Councilman Hussey, that the rules be suspended and the resolution pass. The motion was not sustained and the rules were not suspended.



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The resolution was referred to Committee on Bills in their Second Reading.

Report on Central Ave. taken from the table. Recess declared to look over plan of the Street, after coming to order on motion of Councilman Barker voted the report lie on the table.

Report on Central Ave. taken from the table. Report tabled.

Resolution of appropriation for Schools taken from the table. on the passage of the resolution. Yeas and Nays called as follows. Yea Councilmen Brocker Ames Rollins Whitehouse Meader Dome Barker Kimball and Scruton 9.

Resolution of appropriation for Schools

Nay Councilmen Hussey Wolf Trask and Bickford 4. and the resolution did not pass.

On motion of Councilman Kimball voted to adjourn.

Attest

Chas. W. Brown
City Clerk

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Rochester November 15 1896

To Charles W. Brown
City Clerk

Order for Special meeting

Please call a special Council meeting Friday evening Nov 20th 1896 at 7.30 o'clock P.M. to consider the question of an extra appropriation for the support of Schools

Samuel D Felker
Mayor

Agreeably to the foregoing order notices was mailed to each councilman to meet at the time specified.

Chas W Brown
City Clerk



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City of Rochester
November 20 1896

Special meeting of the city council called to order by the clerk as the Mayor was absent.

The following councilmen were present
Ward one Corson and Fogg
Ward Two Ames and Rollins
Ward Three Whitehouse
Ward Four Dame Page and Hussey
Ward Five Wolf Trask and Bickford
Ward Six Barker Kimball and Stanton.

Order for the meeting read.

The clerk called for the nomination of a Chairman Pro. Tem. and it was voted Councilman Barker fill that position.

Resolution of Appropriation for Schools

By Councilman Barker

Resolution appropriating additional money for school purposes for the current fiscal year.

Resolved by the city council of the City of Rochester

Sec 1 That in addition to the sum heretofore appropriated, the sum of Two Thousand and Twenty dollars is hereby appropriated for the maintenance of the public schools for the current fiscal year.

Sec 2 Resolved that the above sum shall constitute a portion of the city debt.

Moved by Councilman Wolf

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The rules be suspended and the resolution pass. It was voted the rules be suspended On the passage of the resolution the year and nays were called.

Yea. Councilmen Lawson Fogg Ames Rollins Whitehouse Dame Page Hussey Wolf Trask Beckford ~~Baker~~ Kimball and Scruton 12 Nay 0 The necessary two thirds voting yea the resolution was carried.

By Councilman Whitehouse

Resolution for music in Schools

Resolved by the city Council of the city of Rochester.

That two Hundred Dollars of the amount appropriated to the Fire Department for the current year be and the same hereby is transferred to the School Department to continue the instruction in Music in the Schools.

Refered to committee on Public Instruction.

On motion of councilman Rollins voted to adjourn

Attest

Chas W. Brown

City Clerk



1896

City of Rochester

December 1st 1896

Regular meeting of the city council called to order by the mayor.

Roll of council called to which the following responded

Ward One Blaisdell

Ward Two. Ames and Rollins

Ward Three Whitehouse

Ward Four Page and Hussey

Ward Five Wolf Trask and Beckford

Ward Six Baker Kimball and Scruton.

Record of previous meetings read and approved.

Chamberlain Street Hearing

The hearing on the widening of Chamberlain Street which was continued from four o'clock PM to this time was taken up. and on motion of Councilman Baker voted the hearing be adjourned to Tuesday Dec 22 at two o'clock P.M.

On motion of Councilman Baker voted to adjourn to Thursday Dec 3 at two o'clock PM.

A true record

Attest

Chas W Brown

City Clerk

1896

City of Rochester

December 3 - 1896

Regular meeting of the city council to canvass the mayoralty vote and also adjourned from Dec 1st called to order by the Clerk in the absence of the mayor.

Councilman Meader of ward three chosen as chairman pro-tem.

The following councilmen were present.

Ward one Fogg and Blaisdell
Ward Two Ames
Ward Three Meader
Ward Four Pogue and Hussey
Ward Five Wolf and Bickford
Ward Six Kimball and Scranton

The committee on elections made the following report.

To the Mayor and City Council of the City of Rochester.

Having examined the returns of the several ward clerks for the vote for mayor we find the result as follows.

| | Mayor Vote 1896 | |
|---|---|---|
| Ward one Samuel D Felker had | 201 | John Young 63 |
| " Two " " | 120 | " " 69 |
| " Three " " | 185 | " " 64 |
| " Four " " | 260 | " " 78 |
| " Five " " | 185 | " " 114 |
| " Six " " | 183 | " " 128 |
| Total " " | 1134 | " " 616 |



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Signed
S. L. Meader Chairman
L. W. Bickford / Elections Returns

On motion of councilman Kimball voted the report be accepted the proper record made. Hon Samuel D Felker declared elected and the Clerk instructed to notify him of his election.

On motion of councilman Kimball voted to adjourn

A true record
Attest
Chas W. Brown
City Clerk

1897 City of Rochester

January 5 - 1897.

Regular meeting of the city council called to order by the clerk the mayor being absent.

Councilman Whitehouse of ward three chosen as chairman pro-tem.

The following councilmen present and answered to roll call.
Ward one Lawson Sogg and Blaisdell
Ward two Ames and Rollins
Ward Three Whitehouse and Meader
Ward Four Dame Rogers and Hussey
Ward Five Wolf Trask and Pickford
Ward Six Kimball and Stanton.

Record of previous meetings read. Reports of the city Marshal and Clerk of Police Court read and on motion of Councilman Rollins voted the reports be accepted and placed on file.

Report of the committee on Water Works read and on motion of Councilman Wolf voted the report be accepted and placed on file. Report of the committee on the Adams and Veltem Funds read and on motion of Wolf voted the report be accepted and placed on file

Report of the chief engineer of Fire Department read and voted to

Report of various Departments



1897 accept and place on file.

Report of the earnings of the water works for 1896. read and ordered to be placed on file.

The clerk read a statement of the expenditures of each department.

The following resolution introduced by Councilman Kimball.

Resolved by the city council of the city of Rochester.

That the Mayor and City Clerk are hereby authorized to transfer from any department that may have an excess of appropriation or from any money remaining in the treasury not otherwise appropriated and apply to such other departments as may have expended more than the appropriation.

Resolution to transfer to other Departments

On motion of Councilman Kimball voted the rules be suspended and the resolution pass.

Report of Treasurer read and on motion voted the same be accepted and placed on file.

Report of the overseers of the Poor read and placed on file.

Report of the committee on Public Instruction read and voted the report be accepted and placed on file.

1897 By councilman Kimball.

Resolution of appropriation to
East Rochester School House

Resolved by the city council
of the city of Rochester,

That the sum of One Hundred
dollars be appropriated to pay the remaining
bills contracted on account of the remodelling
the East Rochester School House that the
above sum be raised on the note of the
city and to constitute a portion of the
city debt.

On motion of councilman Wolf
voted the rules be suspended that the
resolution may pass. On the passage of the
resolution the Roll called resulting as
follows. Yea councilman Lawson Fogg
Blaisdell Ames Rollins Whitehouse Meader
Dame Page Hussey Wolf Frank Rickford
Kimball and Sexton 15. none voting nay,
and the resolution passed.

Resolution in relation to one
appropriation for Shade Trees. presented by
councilman Whitehouse. On motion of
Councilman Meader voted the resolution
be accepted and referred to the council of 1897.

The Hearing on Chamberlain
Street which was continued to this evening,
was now in order. Recess declared.
moved by councilman Kimball that

Resolution of Appropriation to Rochester School House

Resolution in relation to Shade Trees

Chamberlain Street Hearing



1897. the street be widened in accordance with
the plans of the engineer except that the city
retain the land they now hold. On motion
of councilman Kimball voted that the award
of one cent be made to all parties
of whom land is taken with the exception
of J. B. Nichols who shall receive the
award of twenty dollars.

By councilman Whitehouse
Resolved.

That all matters which have
been properly introduced before this Council
and which may be in process of consideration
either in committee or lieing on the table
be referred to the council of 1897 without
prejudice.

On motion of councilman
Kimball voted the resolution pass.
On motion of councilman Fogg voted
to adjourn.

Attest
Chas W. Brown
City Clerk

Resolution to refer to next Council

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City of Rochester

January 6 1897

First regular meeting of the city council called to order by the clerk

The roll of the old members called to which the following responded.

Ward one Fogg and Blaisdell
Ward Two Stuss and Rollins
Ward Three Meader
Ward Four Hussey
Ward Five Brookand Beckford
Ward Six Kimball and Stratton.

The clerk read the report of the committee on elections on the return of the vote for mayor showing Samuel D Felker to have been elected to that position, and he being present the oath of office was administered by the clerk.

The certificate of the following councilmen elect were presented.

Ward One Sidney B Hayes. Ward Two James Sedgis
Ward Three George P Babb - Charles H Seavey.
Ward Four Daniel Hussey Ward Five Wm B Turner
Ward Six Frank B Wallace.

All being present except Seavey of ward three the oath of office was administered by Mayor Felker.

Prayer was then offered by Rev W H Washbridge.

The inaugural address



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of the mayor. after which proceeded to the election of city clerk.

Election of city officers

On motion of councilman Rollins voted that J D Hussey cast one vote for Lewis M Brown for city clerk. and the vote was so deposited and the oath of office administered to the clerk by the mayor.

On motion of councilman Meader voted councilman J D Hussey cast one vote for John L. Lapp. for city treasurer and it was so voted and John L. Lapp declared elected.

On motion of councilman Blaisdell voted J D Hussey cast one vote for. Leverett M Sinclair for member of the School Board, and it was so voted

On motion of councilman Meader voted J. D Hussey cast one vote for L W. Sleeper for street commissioner, and one vote was deposited for L W. Sleeper for street commissioner, and he was declared elected.

On motion of councilman Frank voted J. D Hussey cast one vote for Lysander P. Pickering as supt of water works and sewers, and it was so voted.

Moved by councilman Rollins that. J. D Hussey cast one vote for O B Warren for marshal, objection being made the mayor ordered a ballot. which resulted

1897 as follows. Whole number of ballots 16
Silvanus B Dexter had 4
Osmon B Warren had 12
and Osmon B. Warren was declared elected.
marshal On motion of Councilman Rollins
voted J D Hussey cast one vote for Edgar M.
Beale as asst marshal. and the vote was
so cast. and Edgar M Beale declared elected.
On motion of Councilman
Brickner voted that J D Hussey be instructed
to cast one vote for Ferdinand Sylvain for
night watch. and it was so voted.
On motion of Councilman
Rollins voted that J D Hussey be
authorized to cast one vote for Henry
S. Walker for Assessor. and it was so voted.
On motion of Councilman
Frank it was voted J. D. Hussey cast one
vote for James B Stickney for Tax Collector
and it was deposited accordingly.
On motion of Councilman
J D. Hussey voted Councilman Turner
cast one vote for Geo H Cochrane for City
Solicitor. and it was so voted.
On motion of Councilman
Blisdell voted J D Hussey cast one vote
for John H Neal for Overseer of Poor and
member of Board of Health. and the vote was
so deposited. On motion of Councilman
Rollins voted J D Hussey cast one vote



1897 for. John N. Thompson for Chief Engineer of Fire
Department and it was deposited accordingly.
On motion of Councilman
Meader voted J D Hussey cast one vote
for Geo H Webster - Albert G. Rollins Charles M
Whitehouse and Louis M. Richardson for first
Second Third and Fourth Assistant Engineers.
and it was so voted and the above named
declared elected.
On motion of Councilman
Hayes voted J D Hussey cast one vote
for J H Whitten of Ward one for Trustee
of the Public Library. and one vote
for Chas H Waverly of Ward Two for the
same possition and the votes were so
deposited - and J H Whitten and Chas H.
Waverly declared elected.
On motion of Councilman
Hayes voted J D Hussey cast one vote
for Thos H Gates and Charles H. Prescott
as Police in East Rochester and it was
so voted. On motion of Councilman
Meader voted J D Hussey cast one vote
for Winslow G. Pugsley for Police at
Genesee and it was so voted.

Resolution for Solicitor and Janitor

By Councilman Kimball
Be it resolved by
the City Council of the City of Rochester
That the office of City
Solicitor and Janitor be and the same

1897 is hereby created at an annual Salary of four hundred dollars to be appointed and his duties assigned by the Mayor.
All Vote or resolutions inconsistent with the above is hereby repealed.

On motion of Councilman Fogg voted the Rules be suspended and the resolution put upon it passage.

Voted the resolution pass

By Councilman Ames an amendment to Chapter xx of the General Ordinances. Laid on the Table.

By Councilman Kimball a resolution to build a Fire Station.

Laid on the Table.

On motion of Councilman Meader Voted that when we adjourn we adjourn to Tuesday Jan 12. at 7.30. PM.

Voted to adjourn to the time Specified

Attest

Chas. W. Brown
City Clerk

Amendment to Chap xx Ord. inance.

Resolution for Fire Station



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City of Rochester

Jan 12. 1897

Adjourned meeting of the City Council met as per adjournment called to order by the Mayor.

Roll of the council called to which the following responded. Ward one. Fogg Blaisdell and Hayes Ward Two Ames Rollins and Sevedis Ward Three Meader and Babb Ward Four J. H. Hussey and Daniel H. Hussey Ward Five Berkford and Turner Ward Six Kimball Hurdon & Wallace

Chas H. Seavey Councilman elect in ward three was present and took the oath of office. as prescribed by law

On motion of Councilman Kimball voted that there be a Special Com on Police and on Legal affairs. and that the mayor be one member of each of those committees. the other two to be appointed, The mayor announced the several committees as follows.

Special Committee on Police and Legal affairs authorized

Appointment of Committee

On Finance

The Mayor Councilmen Trask and Fogg

Shade Trees. Parks & Commons

The Mayor Councilmen Rollins & Turner

On Public Instruction

The Mayor Wallace and Hayes

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Claims & Accounts

J. D. Hussey Trask and Scratton

Public Buildings

Blaisdell Page and Babb

Roads. Bridges and Drains

Bickford Scratton and Seavey

Sewerage

Page Ames. and Daniel Hussey

Water Work

Trask Meader and Hayes.

Fire Department

Kimball Blaisdell and J. D. Hussey

Street Lights

Sagg J D Hussey and Babb

Printing

Rollins Turner and Daniel Hussey

Adams and Odd Fellows Funds

Ames Turner and Geddis.

Elections and Returns.

Meader Bickford and Geddis.

Bills in their Second Reading and Enrolled Ordinances. Scratton Sagg and Seavey.

Legal affairs

Mayor Kimball and Wallace.

Purchasing Committee

The Mayor Meader & Kimball.

The following appointments made by the mayor

Special Police,

John Downe. Lyville Vashon S. P. Pickering



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T. L. Wing S. F. Gordon. Frank A Blackmer Sidney B. Walker Graham Woodman David B Trevoir. Rodney B Lowes Francis Armstrong James Connell. M B Stuart W A Hanscam. John H Lord. Fred B Wentworth Dana H Grover. John F. Swinson Horace Mills Marcus Brackett

Keepers of Hay Straw and Coal,

Charles H Ricker Albert Wallace Graham Gaston John B Willey John W Tibbetts Silas H Dame Rodney B. Lowes John McDonald. Daniel F. Jenness. John H Lord. Pardon R Francis.

Sealer of Weights and Measures

Chas M Bailey,

Surveyors of Wood and Lumber

Pardon R Francis

T. H Trafton Geo M Ames James W Ames Graham T. Woodman Frank P Preston Sidney B Hayes Graham Gaston George Lee Edmund Elliot

Fence Viewers

Ezra Hanaley Silas J. Wentworth.

Fish and Game Wardens

Cornelius Daley Peter McShane B. B. Tibbetts

On motion of councilman Meader voted the above list of appointments be confirmed.

Albert B Rollins clerk pro tem

Appointment of Special Police and other officers

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to serve as second assistant engineer of the Fire department. On motion of councilman Rollins voted. J. D. Hussey cast one vote for Isaac S. Osgood as second assistant engineer and it was so voted once Isaac S. Osgood declared elected.

Election of Asst Engineer

Charles F. Lovell declining to serve as trustee of the Public Library On motion of councilman Meader voted J. D. Hussey cast one vote for Seymour Dewey as trustee of the Public Library and it was so deposited.

Election of Trustee Public Library

Petition of John F. Meader and others for an additional Street Light in Ward 8. presented and referred to committee on Street Lights.

Petition of F. Meader and others for St Light

By councilman Rollins Resolution for Printing the City Reports

Resolution for Printing Reports

Resolved by the City council of the City of Rochester.

The city clerk is hereby authorized and instructed to prepare for the printer the accounts of the city for the year 1896 together with the reports of the several departments, all Resolutions of appropriation and amendments to the Rev Ordinances, The printing of the same to be submitted to the printers of the city for bids, and the contract to be awarded to the lowest bidder,

On motion of Councilman



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Rollins voted the rules be suspended and the resolution pass.

Bond of Usmon B Mann marshal elect read and on motion of Councilman Turner voted the Bond be accepted.

Bonds of marshal and asst marshal accepted

Bond of Jorgen M Lentz asst marshal read and on motion of Councilman Rollins voted to accept and place on file.

Petition of James Walker and others asking for a night watch at East Rochester. read and referred to committee on Fire Dept.

Petitions for night watch laid on file

On motion of J D Hussey voted to adjourn to Tuesday January 26.

Attest.

Isaac N. Bivens
City Clerk

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City of Rochester

January 26 1897.

Adjourned meeting called to order by the Mayor

Roll of council called to which the following responded.

Ward One Hayes.
Ward Two Ames Rollins and Biddis
Ward Three Meade and Seavey
Ward Four Jay D Hussey and Daniel Hussey
Ward Five Frank Beckford and Turner
Ward Six Kimball and Stratton

Petition of P B Small and others for an additional street light on Walnut Street read and referred to the committee on Street Lights.

Petition for St. Light

Report of Finance committee.

The Finance committee respectfully report to this council the following sums to be appropriated for the various departments for the ensuing year and recommend that the same be voted.

Report of Finance committee

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| Payments | 3.500 |
| Fire Department | 2,500 |
| Sidewalks | 3.000 |
| Salaries | 3.700 |
| Highways | 8.000 |
| Macadamizing | 2.000 |
| Miscellaneous Expenses | 2.500 |
| Police Department | 1.500 |



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| Sampson Post | 150 |
| East Rochester Free Library | 150 |
| Street Lights | 6.000 |
| City Poor & Soldiers aid | 1.200 |
| Health Department | 225 |
| Free Public Library & Reading Room | 1.500 |
| County Tax | 14.923.15 |
| East Rochester School House | 2.000 |
| Bonds Series 2 | 6.500 |
| Interest on Sewer Bonds | 4.300 |
| Shade Trees Parks & Commons | 100 |
| State Tax | 9.200 |
| School Books & Supplies | 1.000 |
| Schools together with the money received from Dog Tax and Literary Fund | 18.000 |
| | 91.998 15 |
| Less amount from State | 12.129 |
| | 79.869 15 |

Leaving a balance to be raised by taxation on property the sum of 79.869.15 which sum shall be raised by taxation,

Samuel D Felker
Charles F. Trask
Finance committee

By Councilman Trask

Resolution of Appropriation

Resolved by the city council of the city of Rochester.

That the sum of 79.869.15 be raised by taxation to defray the expenses of the several departments for the

1897 year 1897.

On motion of Councilman Meader voted the rules be suspended and the resolution pass. On the passage of the resolution the roll called resulting as follows.
Yea Hoyes Ames Rollins Meadis Meader Savery. Jay D Stussy Daniel Stussy Frank Beckford Turner Kimball and Stratton 13. none voting nay and the necessary two thirds voting yea the resolution passed

Resolution to receive business from Council of 1896

By Councilman Meader

Resolved by the city council of the city of Rochester.

That all unfinished business by the Council of 1896 and which was referred to this Council by said Council, be taken up and made a part of the unfinished business of this council and that all vacancies in the special committee be filled.

On motion of Councilman Kimball voted the rules be suspended and the resolution pass.

Treasurers Bond accepted.

Bond of the City Treasurer presented and on motion of Councilman Rollins voted the Bond be accepted and placed on file.

By Councilman Kimball

Be it resolved by the city council



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Committee to revise Ordinances

That a committee of five be appointed to revise the Ordinances and Rules of the city council and Submit their report to an adjourned or special meeting to be held at the council room Tuesday February 9th at 7:30 o'clock in order that the same may be passed upon and printed in the annual report of 1896. This committee to consist of the mayor City Solicitor City Clerk and two members of the council to be appointed by the mayor.

On motion of Councilman Kimball voted the Rules be Suspended and the resolution put upon its passage

Voted the resolution pass.

Communication Rochester Grange

Communication read from Rochester Grange protesting against the election of a night watchman for the Village of East Rochester. referred to committee on Fire Department.

Request from School Board

Request from the School Board that a room be provided in the City Building for the use of the Board and that the same be provided with a case for holding Supplies.

Referred to committee on Public Instruction.

By Councilman Frank

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Resolved by the City Council of the City of Rochester.

That in the judgement of this Council Section 114 of the Charter of the City of Rochester should be amended so as to read "the annual salary of the mayor shall be four Hundred dollars"

That the City Solicitor is hereby directed to prepare a bill to be introduced into this Session of the Legislature making such amendment.

On motion of Councilman Rollins voted the Rules be suspended and the resolution pass.

The mayor appointed Councilmen Stark and Mosher to act with the mayor as Committee on Police.

Resolution of Councilman Kimball's in relation to a fire station and laid on the table at the meeting of the Council January 6th was taken up, and on motion of Councilman Kimball voted the resolution pass. under suspension of the rules.

The amendment of the General Ordinances introduced by Councilman Bruce and laid on the table January 6th was taken up and referred to the Special Committee on Ordinances.

Resolution in relation to Shade Trees which was referred to this

amendment to Charter mayors Salary

Committee on Police Appointed

Fire Station passed

Amendment to Ordinances referred



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Council by the Council of 1896 was taken up and referred to Committee on Shade Trees Parks and Commons.

The mayor appointed Councilmen Kimball and Scruton to act on the Committee on the revision of the General Ordinances.

On motion of Councilman Rollins voted to adjourn.

Attest

Chas W. Brown

City Clerk

Resolution Shade Trees

Committee on Ordinances

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City of Rochester

February 2 1897

Regular meeting of the city council called to order by the mayor.

The following councilmen were present and responded to the Roll call.

Ward One Blaisdell and Hayes
Ward Two Ames Rollins and Biddis
Ward Three Meader and Babb
Ward Four Jay D Hussey and Dennis Hussey.
Ward Five Turner
Ward Six Kimball Scranton and Wallace

Record of previous meeting read and approved with one amendment

Petition for Street Light Wakefield Street

Petition of W. S. Bradley and others for an additional street light on Wakefield street presented by Councilman Turner referred to committee on Street Lights.

By Councilman Hussey.

Resolved by the city council of the city of Rochester.

Dedicatory exercises to be printed of main Statue

The city clerk is hereby directed to prepare for the city report now being printed, a report of the cost of the improvements on Central Square the dedicatory exercises of the Person main Statue, together with Prest. Markland's address on that occasion. and other matter pertaining thereto that may be of general interest. On motion of Councilman Rollins voted the rules be suspended and the



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resolution pass.

Amendment to Chapter V. Section 6 of the General Ordinances. presented by Councilman Wallace. Referred to committee on Bills in their Second Reading.

Amendment of Chapt V Sec 6 of Gen Ordinances

The committee on Public Instruction made a verbal report recommending the School Board have the right to occupy temporarily the room between the clerks room and collectors office.

The committee on Shade Trees Parks and Common reported verbally on the resolution introduced by Councilman Whitehouse in December and recommended that steps be taken towards setting Shade trees along the highways.

On motion of Councilman Kimball voted that when we adjourn we adjourn to February 9- at 7-30 o'clock P.M.

On motion of Councilman Meader voted to adjourn to the time specified.

Attest

Chas W Brown
City Clerk

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City of Rochester

February 9. 1897

Council met as per adjournment with the mayor in the chair.

Roll of council called and responded to as follows.

Ward One Fogg and Hayes

Ward Two Ames Rollins and Geddis

Ward Three Savory Meader and Babb.

Ward Four Jay D Hussey, Daniel Hussey

Ward Five Turner

Ward Six Kimball Scruton and Wallace

The committee on Bills in their Second reading made the following report.

An Amendment of Section 6. Chapter V of the General Ordinances,

Report of committee on Amendment to Gen Ordinances

The committee on Bills in their Second reading to whom the above amendment was referred, report as follows,

The amendment is in proper form.

A B. Scruton
John D. Fogg
Thomas H Savory
} committee on bills in Second Reading

Moved by Councilman Rollins the report of the committee be accepted, the Rules suspended and the resolution pass.

The motion Did not prevail. Yeas and Nays called with the following result.

Yea Councilmen Hayes Ames. Rollins



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Geddis. Savory Meader Babb. Daniel Hussey Turner. Scruton and Wallace 11.

Nay Fogg - Jay D Hussey and Kimball 2

and the amendment was carried.

Petition of A. B. Root for compensation account of damage from surface water from the street referred to committee on Highways

Claim of A. B. Root for damage

The special committee on the revision of ordinances made their report.

When on motion of councilman Turner it was voted.

That the city clerk shall cause One Hundred copies to be printed of Such changes in the present City Ordinances, together with the New Ordinances proposed by the committee, and five copies of same mailed to each member of City Council mar before Feb 15 '97

Copies of the proposed amendment to the Gen Ordinances to be printed.

On motion of Councilman Turner voted that when we adjourn we adjourn to Tuesday February 23. and no further action be taken on the ordinances until that time.

The committee on Fire Department to whom was referred the petition for night watch at East Rochester, reported as follows.

Report of committee on night watch at E. Rochester

To the mayor and City Council

1897 Your committee on Fire Department to whom was referred the petition of one hundred and thirty One citizens of ward one who believe that for the safety and protection of East Rochester Village a night Police is needed. would respectfully Submit the following. We find the petition represents fifty citizens of that ward that pay tax on real estate practically all the merchants Business and professional men the manufacturing interests are represented by the Nudge Shoe Co. On the other hand we find the petition opposed by the representatives of the Rochester Mfg. Co. said company representing a large amount of property in the ward.

Your committee having herewith set forth the facts so far as they have been able to learn them, feeling that the Council is as well able to judge the needs and advisability of appointing the officer asked for in the petition as the committee will make no recommendations further than that in our opinion the petition is a very strong and representative one and should receive the careful unprejudiced consideration of the Council

A. J. Kimball
Marvin T. Blaisdell
Jay D. Hussey
} Committee on Fire Department

moved by Councilman Rogers that the report of the committee be accepted, and the recommendations be indefinitely



1897 postponed. Carried.

Special Police appointed

The mayor appointed the following additional Special Police. Frank A. Hagerty. Geo H. Jackson. Patrick Keating. Frank Pettigrew and James Brennon.

Adjourned to the time specified.

Attest

Chas W Brown
City Clerk.

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City of Rochester

February 23 1897.

Adjourned meeting of the city council met agreably to adjournment with the mayor in the chair Roll of council called to which the following responded.

Ward One Fogg and ~~Blaisdell~~ Haye

Ward Two Ames Rollins and Geddis

Ward Three Seavey and Babb

Ward Four Jay D Hussey and Daniel Hussey

Ward Five Bickford and Turner

Ward Six Kimball Gerrish and Wallace.

Petition of Hattie E Hussey for permit to erect a wooden building for carriage factory, and a blacksmiths shop in connection therewith, on Summer Street.

Petition of Hattie E Hussey

On motion of councilman Bickford voted the petition be granted.

On motion of councilman Fogg voted the Rules be suspended, and the amendments to the ordinances as proposed by the Special committee be considered at this time.

Amendment to Ordinance

Amendment offered by councilman Turner to abolish the Ordinance establishing a purchasing committee. On motion of councilman Ames voted the Rules be suspended to consider this amendment at this time

Moved by councilman Rollins the recommendation for the repeal of the ordinance be adopted. Yeas and Nays



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called resulting as follows.

Yeas. Councilmen Ames Rollins Geddis Daniel Hussey, Bickford Turner and Wallace. 7

Nay. Councilmen Fogg Hayes Seavey Babb Jay D Hussey Kimball and Gerrish 7

The mayor voting no the amendment was not adopted The amendments as proposed by the committee were now taken up.

Amendment Chapter I Sec 2 not adopted

Amendment Chapter IV Section 2 adopted.

Amendment Chapter IV Section 18 adopted.

Amendment Chapter VII Section 7 Adopted.

Amendment Chapter VIII Section 3 adopted.

Amendment Chapter VIII Section 11 adopted.

Amendment Chapter IX Section 1 adopted.

Amendment Chapter XIII Section 10 adopted.

Amendment Chapter XV Sec 1 adopted

Amendment Chapter XV Section 2 Adopted.

Amendment Chapter XV Section 3 adopted.

Amendment Chapter XVI Section 3 adopted

Amendment Chapter XVII Section 1 adopted.

Amendment Chapter XVII Section 2 adopted

Amendment Chapter XVIII Section 2 adopted

On the Amendment of Chapter XX Section 2 moved by Councilmen Turner the amendment be not adopted. By a Standing vote the motion was carried. Yeas and Nays called for resulting as follows. Yeas Councilmen Ames. Rollins Geddis Daniel Hussey Bickford Turner and Wallace 7. Nay. Councilmen Fogg

1897 Hayes. Seavey. Babb Jay D Hussey Kimball and Scruton 7. The mayor voting no the motion did not prevail.

Moved by Councilman Turner the amendment lie upon the table. Yeas & Nays called. as follows. Yea Councilman Ames. Rollins Geddis Daniel Hussey. Bickford Turner and Wallace. 7 Nay Councilmen Fogg. Hayes Seavey Babb Jay D Hussey Kimball Scruton. 7 The mayor voting no the motion did not prevail.

Moved by Councilman Rollins Adjourn to meet back from tonight.

Yeas and Nays called.

Yea Councilmen Ames Rollins Geddis Babb Jay Daniel Hussey. Bickford Turner and Wallace 8 Nay Councilmen Fogg Hayes Seavey Jay D Hussey Kimball and Scruton 6. and the motion prevailed and the Council adjourned to Tuesday March 2nd

Attest

Chas W. Brown

City Clerk



1897 City of Rochester March 2 1897

Regular meeting of the city council called to order by the mayor

The following named councilmen were present and responded to roll call.

Ward One Fogg Blaisdell and Hayes
Ward Two Ames Rollins and Geddis
Ward Three Seavey and Babb
Ward Four Hussey and Hussey
Ward Five Trask Bickford and Turner
Ward Six Kimball Scruton and Wallace

The committee on Highways

Record of previous meetings read and approved

The committee on Highways asked for further time to consider the petition of D. C. Root which was granted.

Amendments to ordinances

The amendments to the ordinances were now in order for consideration.

Moved by Councilman Trask that the vote at the last meeting Feby 23 whereby it was voted not to adopt the resolution to change the ordinances passed at an adjourned meeting of the council Jany 28 1896 creating a purchasing committee be reconsidered Yeas and Nays called for resulting as follows.

Yea Councilmen Hayes Ames Rollins Geddis Babb Hussey Trask Bickford

1897. Turner and Wallace 10
Nays. Councilmen Fogg Blaisdell Seavey
Jay D Hussey Kimball. Scruton. 6
and it was voted to reconsider.
It was then voted the ordinance be repealed
The mayor then read the following
veto message. Believing a purchasing
committee necessary to every city I return
the same without my approval and veto
the said repealing ordinance
Samuel D Felker mayor
Moved by councilman Kimball
the resolution pass notwithstanding the mayors
veto. Yeas and Nays called. as follows.
Yea councilmen Hoyt Ames Rollins Geddis
Babb Daniel Hussey Trask Bickford Turner
and Wallace 10
Nay Councilmen Fogg Blaisdell Seavey
Jay D Hussey Kimball and Scruton 6.
The necessary two thirds not voting yea the
mayors veto was sustained
Amendment to Chapter XX Sec 2 not adopted.
Amendment to Chapter XXII Sec. 1 amended
Amendment to Chapter VII by adding another
Section adopted.
Amendment to chapter XXIII relating to the salary
of Superintendent of Water Works adopted.
Amendment to Chapter XXIII relating to the salary
of Sanitary officer adopted.
Amendment to Chapter XXIII by adding



1897 another Section relative to the acceptance of
orders. adopted.
Amendment to Chapter XXI by adding another
Section. adopted.
Amendment to Sec 3 Chapter XXVI not adopted.
An amendment to the same Chapter by adding
another Section was on motion of councilman
Ames indefinitely postponed
Amendment to Chapter V. by adding another
Section in relation to the muzzeling of dogs
adopted
Amendment to Chapter XXIII Sec 1 relative to
the hireing of teams carried.
Amendment to Chapter XII Sec 6 relative to
Shade Trees. adopted.
Amendment to Chapter XII by adding another
Section relative to distributing hand bills
and circulars adopted.
Amendment to Chapter XXVI Sec 16. adopted
Amendment to Chapter XI by adding another
section in relation to the city datum was
adopted in on amended form.
Amendment to chapter XI by adding two
sections relative to sidewalks. Yeas and
Nays called on this amendment resulting
as follows. Yea Councilmen Blaisdell
Hoyt Seavey Babb Turner Kimball and
Scruton 7. Nays Councilmen Ames Rollins
Geddis Jay D Hussey Daniel Hussey Trask
and Wallace 7 The mayor voting yea

1897 the amendment was adopted.
Amendment to Chapter XII Sec 9 not adopted.
Amendment by adding another Chapter relative to the use of Public Buildings adopted.
Amendment to Chapter XV by adding two Sections and other amendments adopted.
Amendment to Chapter XII by adding another section relative to bicycles. adopted
Amendment to Chapter XI by adding another section relative to stones in the highway. adopted.
Amendment to Sec 4 of the Rules and Order not adopted.
Amendment to the ordinance establishing Purchasing Committee. adopted
Amendment to Chapter XXVI by adding another section relative to size of traps not adopted,
Moved by Councilman Rollins the Rules be suspended and Chapter XIV relating to the election and definition of the duties of a city civil Engineer be striken from the General Ordinances. carried,
By Councilman Jones.

Resolution authorizing printing of Public Statutes relating to the government of cities, Whereas: members of the City Council and others have occasion to refer to the Statute Laws for the government of

Resolution to print Public Statutes



1897 cities, and whereas: it is not always convenient to refer readily to such laws.
Therefor Be it resolved by the City Council of the city of Rochester
That the city clerk is hereby directed to have printed with the City Ordinances when they are printed. So much of the Public Statutes as relates to the government of cities. &
On motion voted the adoption of the resolution.
Report of the Marshal for February read and order to be placed on file.

Marshal's Report For Feby

No quorum being present at this time adjourned

Attest
Chas W. Brown
City Clerk

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Rochester N.H. March 16. 1897

To Charles W. Brown Esq
City Clerk

Please call a meeting of the city council for Wednesday evening March 17. 1897 at 7-30 o'clock P.M. to consider the advisability of moving the school house at Rochester Neck and the purchase of a lot to set the same upon

Samuel D. Felker
mayor

Agreeably to the above order, notice was mailed to each councilman on the 16th day of March. 1897

Attest
Chas W. Brown
City Clerk.



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City of Rochester
March 17- 1897

Special meeting of the city council called to order by the mayor.

The Roll of council called responded to as follows.

Ward Two Ames and Rollins
Ward Three Seavey and Meader
Ward Four Daniel Hussey.
Ward Five Frank Bickford and Turner
Ward Six Kimball and Scruton.

Call for meeting read.

Mr Walbridge in behalf of the School Board stated the situation of the Schools on the Neck and in the Flagg District.

Councilman Rollins introduced the following resolution.

Resolved by the City council of the City of Rochester.

That the Neck School House so called be removed to a more central location and that the Special committee on School houses be authorized to remove the same and purchase a lot and they are also authorized to sell the citys right in the old lot, and also the buildings on the Flagg School House lot together with the citys interest therein, and the mayor is authorized to give a deed of the same, and the expense incurred shall be taken from the miscellaneous

Resolution to move School House

1897 Department, and to remove all sheds that may be necessary.

On motion of Councilman Rollins voted the Rules be Suspended and the resolution pass.

The Mayor appointed Councilman Hayes on the Special committee on School Houses with Councilman Trask and Sexton.

Adjourned.

Attest

Chas W. Brown

City Clerk



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City of Rochester

April 6th 1897

Regular meeting of the city council called to order by the mayor

Roll of council called to which the following councilmen responded.

Ward two Ames. Rollins and Geddis,

Ward three Seavey Mendenhall and Babb

Ward four Pope J. D. Hussey and Daniel Hussey

Ward five Trask Bickford and Turner

Ward six Kimball Sexton and Wallace

Record of previous meetings read and approved.

Resolution to investigate damage to sidewalk

By Councilman Bickford.

Resolution to investigate damage done to Sidewalk

Resolved by the city council of the city of Rochester.

That the committee on roads. Bridges and Drains investigate as to the damage done to the concrete sidewalk on Main street near Lincoln street caused by driving a team over the sidewalk, and report the name of the guilty party or parties to the city marshal, who. with the City Solicitor will see that legal proceedings are instituted against them for the recovery of damages.

On motion of councilman Rollins voted the rules be suspended and the resolu-

1897 tion pass.

Report on the claim of Stephen S. Root.

To the Hon Mayor and council of the city of Rochester.

Report on claim S. S. Root for damage

The committee to whom the claim of Stephen S. Root was referred beg leave to present the following report.

We find on investigation that on the 11th day of March 1890, the town voted to accept this street, and that there has been no proper lay out of the same, and therefor the city is not liable for any damage that may occur thereon. Your committee would recommend that a proper lay out be made of the street. Dr Root has withdrawn his claim for damages. If a proper surface drainage be put in to take care of the surface water in that section of the city it would obviate the difficulty

C W. Bickford, S. B. Scruton, B. H. Seavey, } Committee on Roads, Bridges and Drains.

On motion of councilman Ames voted the report be accepted and placed on file.

Resolution to pay for City Horses

By Councilman Bickford

Resolution appropriating money from the Police Department to paying difference in exchange of



1897 city Horses.

Resolved by the city council of the city of Rochester.

That from the surplus money in the city treasury derived from the Police Department the sum of Two Hundred Dollars ($200) be set apart for the payment of difference in exchange of City horses with Walker and Miles.

On motion of councilman Rollins voted the rules be suspended and the resolution pass.

Petition of J. Morrill

Petition of J Morrill for permit to make an addition to his house on Railroad avenue. read and on motion of councilman Bickford voted the petition be granted.

Petition of F. H. Blake for Highway

Petition of F. H. Blake and others for a new highway from Portland street to the Portland & Rochester Railroad, the petition being improperly drawn on motion of councilman Rollins it was voted to refer to the petitioners for correction

Petition of N. E. Tel & Tel Co to re-locate Pole

Petition of the New England Telephone and Telegraph Company for permission to change the location of the pole on Railroad avenue near Main street.

Referred to committee on Roads Bridges and Drains.

Petition of C. A. C. Hanson

1897 for permission to erect seats on outer sidewalk edge between American express office and Autumn Street. — Petition of C.A.C. Hanson to erect Seats.

Referred to committee on Roads Bridges and Drains.

Petition of J. T. Dodge and others for continuance of water main from the east end of Prospect Street to Chamberlain street and thence through Chamberlain street to Portland street. — Petition of J. T. Dodge and others to extend water main

Referred to committee on water works.

The mayor appointed the following special railroad police to serve without pay Fred Twomby Frank H. Stevens Edward Bean Fred Brockett. Thos Bailey Stephen S. Connor. — R. R. Police appointed

Voted on motion of councilman Rollins the appointments be confirmed.

By councilman Wallace — Resolution to paint City Building

Resolution to paint the city building

Resolved by the city council of the city of Rochester.

The committee on Public Buildings are hereby authorized and directed to call for bids to paint the city building on the outside and to contract for the same. Also to ascertain the cost of a cupola, or two false chimnies for the main building and report to the council.



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Referred to committee on Public Buildings.

By J. D. Stevens — Resolution to purchase safe

Resolution to purchase safe.

Resolved by the city council of the city of Rochester.

That the purchasing committee are hereby instructed to purchase a suitable safe for the preservation of plans and other valuable matter. providing a second hand safe suitable for the purpose can be procured at a reasonable price.

Referred to committee on Public Buildings.

On motion of councilman Meade voted to adjourn.

Attest.

Chas. W. Brown

City Clerk

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City of Rochester

May 4 1897

Regular meeting of the city council called to order by the Mayor.

The following councilmen were present and responded to roll call.

Ward one Hayes.
Ward Two Ames Rollins and Goodis.
Ward Three Seavey Meader and Babb.
Ward Four Guy D. Hussey
Ward Five Trask Bickford and Turner
Ward Six Kimball Scruton and Wallace.

Record of last meeting read and approved.

Petition for a new Street.

Petition of F. H. Blake and others for a new street from Portland street to land of Geo Nutter. to be called McKinley street.

Referred to committee on Roads Bridges and Drains.

Petition to widen and Straighten River St.

Petition of S F. Felker and others to widen and Straighten River St.

On motion of councilman Kimball voted the petitioners be granted a hearing on the first Tuesday of June 1897 at four o'clock P.M.

Petition to widen and Straighten main street.

Petition of S.D. Wentworth and others to widen and straighten main street from Willow Brook to Strafford Square.

On motion of councilman Rollins voted a hearing be granted the



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petitioners June 1st 1897 at four o'clock P.M.

Petition of Chas. M. Hoyt for an allowance for use of teams referred to committee on Highways.

Petition of Petition of N. E. Telegraph and Telephone Co to erect Poles.

Telephone company for permit to erect poles Strafford Square to Strafford town line.

On motion of councilman Rollins voted the petition be granted, and that the committee on Highways locate the poles.

The committee on Public Buildings made the following report on Resolution to paint city building and to ascertain the cost of cupola or two false chimnies.

Report of Committee on painting City building.

On the above resolution the committee on Public Buildings report as follows.

We called for bids for the painting of the building two coats, and the lowest bid was by J. Freeman Lodgerly for $77.16 and we recommend the job be given to him. We would also recommend that two false chimnies be placed on the main building the cost of the same will be not far from ten dollars.

On motion of councilman Rollins voted the report be accepted and the recommendations adopted.

On motions of councilman

1897 Kimball voted the committee on Public Buildings be authorized to have the city building painted and two false chimnies placed thereon at a cost not exceeding One Hundred dollars.

City Bldg to be painted

The committee on Highways made the following report.

Report on petition of C.C. Hanson

Your committee to whom was referred the petition of Charles A. & C. Hanson in regard to placing seats near the sidewalk opposite the office of the American Express Co. have considered the same and report as follows. It seems to us that it is not desirable to have seats placed permanently at this point as it will impede the public travel, and said place is not suited for a general loafing place. We would however recommend that Mr. Hanson have permission to set out temporary seats during all band concerts on the square or other entertainments with the understanding that the city assumes no liability.

C. W. Bickford
S. B. Scruton
Lewis A. Savery
} committee on Highways

On motion of councilman Ames voted the report be accepted and the recommendations adopted

By the committee on Public Buildings.

To the Mayor and Council of the City of Rochester

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Believing that it would be for the interest of the city not to insure the city Buildings. we offer the following resolution for the consideration of the Council

Marvin I. Blaisdell
Victor B. Page
Geo F. Babb
} committee on Public Buildings

moved by councilman Rollins that the committee on Public Buildings be instructed to insure all buildings owned by the city of a value of Five thousand dollars. Councilman Stages offered an amendment to insure all of a value of two thousand dollars. Councilman Turner offered an amendment to the amendment to insure all of a value of $4,000. The amendment to the amendment was lost. as well as the amendment offered by Councilman Stages.

Buildings of $5,000 to be insured as

The original motion as made by councilman Rollins was carried.

Petition of C. D. Coleman and others for a fire alarm near the Boston & Maine passenger station. Referred to committee on Fire Dept

Petition for Fire Alarm Box

Petition of C. D. Coleman to make addition to his Building on Hanson. On motion of councilman Kimball voted the rules be suspended and the

Petition of C. D. Coleman to make addition

1897 petition granted.

By Councilman Bickford

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Rochester.

Resolution to build Sheet on City Lot

That the joint committee of Water and Highways be instructed to build a sheet not exceeding one Hundred twenty feet long, one half of the same to be used for the water department and the other half for the use of Highway upon the city lot in such locality as to them may seem best, taking into consideration the future uses to which the lot may be put, one half of the expense of building the same to be paid by the Water department and the other half to be paid from the highway department.

On motion of Councilman Rollins voted the rules be suspended and the resolution pass.

Report of Com on Adams & Old Cem Funds.

The committee on Adams and Old Cemetery funds reported the need of some improvements to be made on the old cemetery on Haven Hill, and the old Town Farm Cemetery and also recommending the payment of interest on the Thousand dollars invested in the Trust Company of America, and that a small sum be appropriated to clean up the grass and brush from the cemetery's on Haven Hill and the Old Town Farm.

On motion of Councilman



1897 Bickford voted the report be accepted and placed on file.

By Councilman Ames

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Rochester.

Resolution to pay interest on Old Cemetery Investment

That the Sum of $40. be appropriated from the money appropriated for the miscellaneous department to pay the interest on $1000. of the Old Cemetery fund which is invested in bonds of the Trust Co of America, to be paid on or before the last day of September.

Referred to committee on Old Cemetery Fund.

By Councilman Ames.

Resolved by the City Council of the city of Rochester.

Resolution of Appropriation to fix up Cemeteries

That the Sum of $40 be appropriated from the money appropriated for the miscellaneous department to be used in cleaning up the dead grass and brush in the Town Farm Cemetery and the Cemetery on Haven Hill, and for cutting the grass which may grow this year.

On motion of Councilman Kimball, voted the rules be suspended and the resolution pass.

By Councilman Ames

Resolved by the City Council of the city of Rochester.

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That the interest on all Sewer bonds sold shall be paid from the funds of the department receiving the proceeds of such sale.

Resolution to pay interest on Sewer Bonds

Referred to the Finance Committee.

Various bills now approved by the committee on claims and accounts were read and on motion of Councilman Ames referred to the Committee on Legal affairs with power to settle.

Bills referred to Committee on Legal affairs

Claim of L.L. Pasley for damages occasioned by dog, read and referred to committee on Legal affairs.

Claim of E.E. Pasley

Bond of J. B. Stevens, Tax Collector read, and on motion of Rollins voted the bond be accepted and placed on file.

Communication from Sampson Post G.A.R. inviting the mayor and council to be present and assist in the exercises of Memorial day was read, and on motion of Councilman Noyes voted to accept the invitation,

Communication from Sampson Post

Petition of Eli Meader and others, for a new Highway from the Meaderboro road to the Estes road, referred to the committee on Highways

Petition for Highway

Councilman Turner offered an amendment to Sec 13 Chap VII



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of the General Ordinances,

Amendment to Gen Ordinances

Moved by Councilman Rollins that the rules be suspended and the Ordinance read a second time at this meeting. The requisite 2/3 not voting yea. the amendment was referred to to committee on Bills in their second reading.

The marshals report for April read and ordered to be placed on file.

The mayor appointed the following additional Special Police. Edward Gosselyn at the Boston & Maine station and Louis Couture at Sonic.

Special Police Appointed

On motion of Councilman Rollins voted the nominations be confirmed,

The mayor appointed councilman Babb committee on the Sonic School House in place of Councilman Whitehouse. and Councilman Seavey as committee on School Houses in place of Councilman Whitehouse.

Committee on School Houses appointed

On motion of councilman Rollins voted the street commissioner be instructed to remove the Elm tree in front of the City building, and one near the residence of Isaac A Varney

Trees to be removed

Petition of L.L. Foss and

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others for a main drain from Summer street to Portland street,

Referred to Committee on Roads Bridges and Drains.

On motion of councilman Irask voted the old School House on Wakefield street be moved, and a fence built between the School lot and the land of Solomon Evans.

On motion of councilman Rollins voted to adjourn

Attest

Chas. W. Brown

Petition for Sewer

School House to be moved



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City of Rochester

June 1st 1897.

Regular meeting of the city Council. mayor Felker presiding

Roll of the council called and the following councilmen were present or joined the council before the transaction of business.

Ward one Fogg Blaisdell & Hayes
Ward Two Ames. Rollins and Geddis
Ward Three Seavey and Babb
Ward Four Daniel Hussey
Ward Five Irask Bickford and Turner
Ward Six Kimball Scruton and Wallace

Record of previous meeting read and approved.

Hearing on Petition for the widening and straightening of River Street being in order S. H. Felker and Andrew Armstrong appeared and after being sworn testified as to the necessity of the contemplated improvement.

River St widening

Hearing on the widening and straightening of Main street called. Oneil D. Wentworth sworn and testified. after which a recess was declared to consider the petitions. after calling to order. on motion of Councilman Rollins voted to adjourn the hearing two weeks.

Main St widening

Petition of M. H. Cochrane for permit to

Petition of M. H. Cochrane

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move tree.

On motion of Councilman Rollins voted the petition be granted.

Petition of L. B. Cooper for permit to temporarily obstruct sidewalk

Petition L. B. Cooper

On motion of Councilman Turner voted the petition be granted.

Communication from the United Gas and Electric Co in relation to price of street lights. referred to committee on street lights.

Communication United Gas & Electric Co

Petition of Ralph H Hall and others to widen and straighten road from Washington Street to Stafford town line. Referred to committee on Highway

Petition of Ralph H Hall and others

Petitions of L. B. Pugsley and others. for the widening and straightening of six different highways near Sonic Village presented and on motion of Councilman Rollins voted a hearing be granted on July 6th at three o'clock P. M.

Petition of L. B. Pugsley and others

By Councilman Rollins

Resolution to buy wood for tramps to Saw

Resolved by the City Council of the city of Rochester.

That whereas said city uses about fifty cords of wood each year, and that the Sawing and Splitting of said wood should be done by the tramps who invest our city, the purchasing committee are hereby authorized to purchase not exceeding fifty cords of wood



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and the police committee together with the marshal are authorized to wire in a piece of ground belonging to said City, and to require all persons who may seek lodgings and meals of said City, to Saw and cut said wood. The expense of building said fence shall be taken from the police department, and the cost of said wood shall be charged to the several departments in proportion to the amount used last year.

On motion of Councilman Rollins voted the rules be suspended and the resolution pass.

By Councilman Babb

Resolution to purchase lot for Gravel

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Rochester.

That the mayor be authorized to take a deed of two and one half acres of land of Joseph Warren near his house to be used as a gravel bank, and that the sum of two Hundred and fifty dollars be taken from the Highway department to pay for the same.

Referred to committee on Highways.

Bill of B Lo Looney

Bill of B Lo Looney. reported by the mayor that the committee had made arangements to Settle.

Report of Com on Boyles Claim

The committee on Highways to whom the claim of B W Boyle was referred made the following report.

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The undersigned committee on Highways to whom was referred the petition of L. W. Hoyt for an allowance for team hire in the performance of his duties as sanitary officer have considered the same and report that the same could not be granted without changing the ordinance and that the council have recently changed the ordinance so that the health officer should pay for his own team hire. We would not recommend any change.

L W. Bickford (Highway
S. B. Scruton (Committee
L. H. Seavey

Voted the report be accepted and placed on file.

Bill of G. W. Varney

Bill of Geo W. Varney. recommended the bill be paid and the bill assigned to the City of Rochester.

On motion of Councilman Fogg voted the recommendation be adopted.

Report of the marshal for may read and ordered to be placed on file.

Special Police appointed

The Mayor appointed John H. Pengree as Special Police, and the appointment was confirmed. Chas H. Prescott was appointed ~~Constable~~ and confirmed.

Constable appointed

The following report of committee on Fire Department was read.

Your committee on Fire Dept. to whom was referred the petition for a Fire Alarm Box in the vicinity of the Boston and Maine passenger station. Report that a box for this purpose the same as now in use on the Systems will cost Seventy five Dollars, and would recommend the petition be granted and the amount required be taken from the money appropriated for the Fire Dept

Report on Fire alarm Box

N. I. Kimball (Committee
J. D. Hussey (on Fire
Marvin I. Blaisdell (Dept

On motion of Councilman Turner voted the report be accepted and the recommendations adopted.

The committee on Bills in their second reading reported as follows on amendment to Chapter VII Section 13

Amendment to Chapter VII

Your committee have attended to the duty assigned them and have carefully examined the resolution and report it in proper form

S. B. Scruton (Committee on
John D Fogg (Bills in their
L. H. Seavey (Second Reading

Moved by Councilman Rollins the amendment be read a second time, last.

Yeas and Nays demanded

Yea. Councilmen ~~Fogg~~ Ames- Rollins Daniel Hussey. Bickford Turner - 5

Nay Councilmen Fogg Blaisdell Seavey

1897 Babb Trask Kimball and Scruton 7- and the motion to read a second time was lost.

Report of Comm on Adams & Old Cem Funds

Report of committee on Adams and Old Cemetery Funds.

To the mayor and council of the city of Rochester.

The committee on Adams and Old Cemetery Funds would recommend that the resolution to pay interest on Bonds of Trust Co of America be amended by increasing the amount to $7000 Seventy dollars to pay the interest for two years which will be due Aug 1st 1897 David Manes (Common W. L. Turner (Adams and Old Cem Funds.

On motion of Councilman Rollins voted the report be accepted and the recommendations adopted,

Vacation for Police

On motion of Councilman Rollins voted the regular police have one weeks vacation each with pay.

By Councilman Kimball.

Resolution to reduce Tax Rate

Resolved by the city council of the city of Rochester,

That so much of the money in the Sewer department in excess of the cost of the Sewer as may be necessary to keep the rate of taxation within two per cent. be used towards the payment of the Sewer Bonds due this year,



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On motion of Councilman Kimball voted the rules be suspended and the resolution pass.

By Councilman Trask

Resolved by the city council of the city of Rochester

Resolution to hire money

That the city be authorized to hire a sum of money not exceeding ten thousand dollars in anticipation of the collection of taxes for 1897.

On motion of Councilman Trask voted the rules be suspended that the resolution may pass.

On the passage of the resolution Yeas and Nays were called resulting as follows Yeas- Councilmen Fogg President Ames Seavey Babb Denis Hussey, Trask Bickford Turner Kimball and Scruton 11.

Nays 0- The necessary two thirds not voting the resolution did not pass. and on motion of Councilman Turner voted the resolution lie on the table to next meeting.

On motion of Councilman Hussey voted to adjourn to two weeks from to night June 15-

Attest

Chas W Brown

City Clerk

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## City of Rochester

June 15–1897

Adjourned meeting of the City council called to order by the mayor.

The following councilmen present.

Ward One Fogg and Hayes
Ward Two Ames and Rollins
Ward Three Seavey and Meader
Ward Four J. D. Hussey and Daniel Hussey
Ward Five Bickford
Ward Six Kimball Scruton and Wallace

Hearing on main and River streets

Hearing on the petitions for the widening of Main and River streets in order, to which appeared for some of the land owners, after some remarks a recess was declared to consult plans.

Widening of River Street

After calling to order, it was voted on motion of councilman Fogg to widen River street as shown by plan from a point in said street where same is 82 feet wide thence running across land of Mr. Pike about 16 rods to land of estate of William Rand making same 32' wide to said Rand lot. Thence running on line of said Rand and W. P. Lee in a South easterly direction to the Cocheco river thence by said river to land of J. G. Berry. Thence by said Berry's land in a south westerly direction to the present street line. said existing street at this point being 26' feet wide thence over said street maintaining this width to



1897 Main street. also to take the Scruton property as indicated on plan approximately 4500 square feet.

On motion of Councilman Kimball voted the following award for land damages be made

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| To Norway Plains Mfg. Co | $300 |
| Wm Rand Estate for entire lot | 200 |
| Rachel Scruton | 10. |
| Chas D Scruton | 40. |

On motion of Councilman Rollins voted the hearing on main street be adjourned to July 6th at 7.30 P.M.

By Councilman Bickford

Resolved by the City Council of the city of Rochester.

Resolution to purchase Derick

That the purchasing committee be instructed to purchase the derrick and belongings from Joshua Hows, for the sum of seventy five dollars, and that the pay for the same be taken from the highways department.

On motion of Councilman Rollins voted the rules be suspended and the resolutions pass.

On motion of Councilman Rollins voted to adjourn.

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Chas. W. Brown
City Clerk

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City of Rochester

July 6th 1897

Regular meeting of the Council

Mayor Felker in the chair.

The following councilmen were present

Ward One. Blaisdell and Hayes

Ward Two. Ames. Rollins and Geddis

Ward Three Seavey and Meader

Ward Four Page and Hussey (J. D.)

Ward Five Bickford and Turner.

Ward Six Kimball Scruton and Wallace.

Communication from Communication
Norway Plains Mfg Co. in relation to land damages W. P. Lee
occasioned by the widening of River street.
Read and on motion of councilman Rollins
voted they be heard on the award made.
Mr J. J. Abbott and Mr John Young appeared
in behalf of the corporation.

The hearing on the petitions for Hearing on
the widening and straightening of Highways in Ward being in order. W. D. Pugsley first Highway
petitioner was present and testified as to Petitions
the necessity of having the streets named
in the various petitions widened and straightened

A remonstrance against the Remonstrance against
further widening and straightening of streets The Widening
was presented. of
Highways

Moved by councilman Hayes
that all further consideration of the



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widening and straightening of Streets be postponed to the first Tuesday of September at 7:30 o'clock. not. carried Yeas and Nays called for resulting as follows.

Yea. Hayes. Rollins Geddis Bickford Turner and Wallace 6.

Nay. Blaisdell. Ames. Seavey. Meader Page. Jay D Hussey. Kimball and Scruton 8 and the motion was lost.

On motion of councilman Kimball voted the road Hearings lie on the table.

The following reports were made. Report on

The committee on Highways Petition of
to whom was referred the petition of Eugene G. W. Foss
G. Foss and others for a common surface
sewer from Portland street to Summer street
have considered the same and recommend
that the petitioners be given a hearing.

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G. W Bickford
A. B. Scruton
G. H Seavey

Committee on Highways

On motion of councilman Ames voted the report be accepted and the hearing be granted the petitioners on the first Tuesday in August at four o'clock in the afternoon.

The committee on Highways

1897 To whom was referred the petition of Eli Meader and others for a new highway from Meaderboro to Rochester, report that they have been over the highway, and would recommend that the petitioners be granted a hearing.

Report on petition of Eli Meader

Rochester July 6- 1897

O. W. Bickford / committee
S. B. Scruton / on
O. H. Seavey / Highways

On motion of councilman Bickford voted the report and the petition lie on the table to the next regular meeting.

The committee on Highways to whom was referred the petition of Ralph Hall and others to widen and straighten the highway from Strafford Square to Meaderboro have considered the same and recommend that the petitioners be granted a hearing.

Report on petitions of Ralph Hall & others

Rochester N.H. July 6- 1897

O. W. Bickford / committee
S. B. Scruton / on
O. H. Seavey / Highways

On motion of Councilman Kimball voted the report be accepted and hearing granted at four o'clock P.M. on the first Tuesday in August.

The committee on Highways to whom was referred the petition of Frank H. Blake and others for the highway north from

Report on petition of F. H. Blake



1897 Portland street to be known as Mc Kinley street have examined the same and would recommend that the petitioners be granted a hearing.

Rochester July 6- 1897

O. W. Bickford / committee
S. B. Scruton / on
O. H. Seavey / Highways

On motion of councilman Rollins voted the petioners be granted a hearing on the first Tuesday in August at four o'clock P.M.

The committee on Highways to whom was referred the resolution to purchase two acres of land of Joseph Warren near his house to be used as a gravel bank have considered the same and viewed the premises, would recomend that the purchase be made.

Report on resolution to purchase land of Warren

Rochester July 6th 1897

Chas W. Bickford / committee
S. B. Scruton / on
O. H. Seavey / Highways

By Councilman Bickford

Resolution to purchase land pts of E. F. Twombly

Resolved by the City Council of the city of Rochester.

That the mayor be authorized to take a deed of three and one half acres of land more or less of Edgar F. Twombly situate near Dana Mc Duffees, to be used as a gravel bank, and the

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Sum of three hundred dollars be taken from the Highway department to pay for the same. and said Swoodly to have the grass on the same for five years from date.

On motion of Councilman Bickford voted the rules be suspended and the resolution pass.

Petition of Norris Besson and others to widen and straighten Tebbetts Avenue. Referred to committee on Highways

Petition of T. J Decatur and others for a new street from Charles street near land of John T. Sanders referred to Committee on Highways

By Councilman Ames.

Resolved by the city council of the city of Rochester.

That the Superintendent of Sewers be authorized and instructed to disconnect any private drain now running into the surface sewers on streets where the deep sewer is laid. and he is hereby authorized to dig up any portion of the highway for that purpose.

On motion of councilman Rollins Voted the Rules be suspended and the resolution pass.

By councilman Ames.

Resolved by the city council of the city of Rochester.

Petition of N Besson & others to widen & Straighten Tebbetts Ave

Resolution to disconnect Private Drains



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That the committee on Sewerage are hereby authorized and instructed to extend the Sewer System in East Rochester by building a Sewer on main Street from Genesee river to the Sewer near Blaisdells Block. and to build a Sewer from main Street through Autumn street to Grove Street. The necessary material for the same to be purchased by the purchasing committee. The same to be paid for from the money standing to the credit of construction account.

On motion of Councilman Ames voted the rules be suspended and the resolution pass.

By Councilman Meader

Resolved by the city council of the city of Rochester.

That the following amendment be made to the water rates.

Water Closet used by more than one family in same house. each family $2.50

On motion of Councilman Rollins voted the rules be suspended and the resolution pass.

Petition of the N. C. Tel and Telegraph Company for permit to erect poles from Main street to Walnut street through High street.

Resolution to extend Sewer System east of Genesee

Water Rate amended

Petition of N. C. Tel & Tel Co to erect poles.

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On motion of councilman Kimball. voted the petition be granted and the poles located on High Street.

The report of the city marshal for June read and ordered to be placed on file.

claim of B. Harris referred

Claim of Benj Harris for damage to brick yard. referred to committee on Legal affairs.

J S Howe bill not to be paid

Bill of J. S Howe for teams delivered to W. Hoyt. Sanitary officer read. Moved by councilman Turner the bill be paid, on a division of the council the motion was lost.

The Yeas and Nays demanded resulting as follows.

Yea. Bickford Turner 2/

Nay. Blaisdell Hayes Ames Rollins Geddis Seavey Meader. Page J. D Hussey, Kimball Scruton and Wallace 12. and the motion was lost.

Consideration of Highway petitions

The petitions for the widning of Highways taken from the table and a recess declared to consider them.

after coming to order on motion of councilman Meader it was voted the highway leading from land of Arthur Mc Dupee to land of D Whitehouse on the Rochester Neck road be widened and straightened according to the plan of the



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engineer and all land owners be awarded one cent each.

On motion of councilman Ames it was voted the highway from land of John H Osborn on the road leading from Sonic to Pickerings crossing to the tracks of the Boston and Maine Railroad be widened and straightened according to the plan of the engineer and that all land owners be awarded one cent each.

On motion of councilman Scruton it was voted the highway leading from the junction of the highway to land of D H Seavey and the highway over Rochester Neck to land of said Seavey be laid out agreeably to the plan of the engineer and that all land owners be awarded one cent each.

On motion of J. D Hussey it was voted that the highway leading from the east side of the bridge over the Cocheco river at Sonic Village to the highway leading past the house of the heirs of Lewis McDupee. be widned and straightened as per plans of the engineer. and that the land owners be awarded one cent each.

communications of N. P. Co referred

On motion of councilman Kimball it was voted the communication of Nursery Plans Mfg Co be referred

1897 to the purchasing committee.

On motion of councilman Kimball it was voted that consideration of the Remonstrance against the widning and straightening of highways be indefinitely postponed.

Consideration of Remonstrance postponed

No other business presented the Council adjourned

Attest

Chas W. Brown

City Clerk



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August 2 — 1897

Regular meeting of the city council called to order by the mayor. The following councilmen responded to roll call.

Ward Two Ames. Rollins and Geddis

Ward Five Bickford and Turner

Ward Six Scruton.

The hearing on highway petitions adjourned to Aug 10 — at 7-30 oclock. and the mayor adjourned the Council to Aug 10 — at 7-30 oclock.

Attest

Chas W. Brown

City Clerk

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City of Rochester

August 10- 1897

Adjourned meeting of the council called to order by the mayor, and the following councilmen responded to roll call.

Ward one Fogg and Hayes
Ward Two Ames Rollins and Geddis
Ward Three Meader
Ward Four J. D. Hussey and Daniel Hussey
Ward Five Bickford and Turner.

Record of last meeting read and approved.

Hearing on petitions of Blake and Ralph Hall

On motion of Councilman Bickford voted the hearing on the petitions of F. H. Blake and others, and Ralph Hall and others be appointed for September 7- at 7-30 o'clock. The hearing on the petition of W. Bisson and others for the widening of Tebbetts Avenue being in order was conducted by Solicitor Cochrane. Engineer Ames explained what was necessary to take to make the street of proper width.

Tebbetts avenue widening

Reports re B. & M. claims for Sewer damages

The committee on legal affairs to whom was referred the suit of Boston & Maine RR against said city, report that in their judgement said action can be settled for twenty five dollars and if said action can be so settled they would recommend that the same be settled for that amount

Samuel H. Felker
F. C. Wallace
Com on Legal affairs



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On motion of councilman Meader voted the report be accepted and the recommendations adopted.

Report on claim of N. P. Co for damage River St.

Report of the Purchasing committee on the award of land damage to Norway Plains Mfg. Co.

To the City Council of the city of Rochester.

Your committee to whom was referred the petition of J. J. Abbott in behalf of the Norway Plains Co. for further damage on account of land taken for widning River Street. having given Mr Abbott the hearing asked for report that in our opinion the award was a just and reasonable one for the land taken. but would recommend that if the Norway Plains Co will deed to the city so much of the land as is between the highway and the River for a distance of sixty feet. twenty five feet southerly by the highway from the southerly corner of the Pond lot so called taken by the city for widning of said highway, a further sum of one hundred dollars be paid.

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Samuel H. Felker
A. D. Meader
Purchasing Committee

On motion of councilman Ames voted the report be accepted and the recommendations adopted.

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Report of Com on Street Lights

The committee on Electric Lights to whom was referred the communication from H. B. Shepherd. manager of the United Gas & Electric Company for a contract for 5 years at $67.00 per 1200 candle power Arc lights. report in favor of the same.

In the contract made with Dover the company stipulate that they will not furnish Arc lights to any other city or town at a less price than they do Dover.

We would recommend a contract for not less than 75 lights moonlight schedule with the priveledge of having 15 or more lights all night at $8.00 per light. providing either Somersworth or Dover have all night lighting.

We would also recommend that said contract contain a penalty for not keeping lights in proper shape so they will be kept going every night and that the company change the present lights when necessary as the Electric Committee may determine and that said committee make a seperate contract for the lighting of the City Building.

The company are willing to have said contract commence at once or from January 1st 1898, and said Committee recommend that they have authority to make said contract as above suggested, and that the time Request 1st 1897 or January 1st 1898



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when said contract shall commence. be left with them.

John D Fogg (Committee
Jay D. Hussey / on
George F. Babb / Street Lights.

On motion of Councilman Hayes voted the report of the committee be accepted. and that they be authorized to make the contract.

Report of Committee on St Lights

Report of the committee on Electric Lights on the petition for an Electric light in Ward four.

To the Mayor and council of the city of Rochester.

Your committee to whom was referred the petition of twenty four citizens of Walnut street Ward four asking for an electric arc light to be established between Sheppard square and the Summit of Walnut Hill, after a careful examination of the surroundings we are of the opinion that an electric light would not only be a great convenience to the people of that vicinity. but a necessity, and would recommend that the petitioners be granted their request.

John D Fogg
Jay D. Hussey

On motion of Councilman Brickford voted the report of the committee be

1897 accepted and the recommendations adopted.

By the same committee on petition of W. S Bradley and others.

Report of committee on Street Light.

The undersigned committee on Electric Light recommend that the petition of W. S. Bradley and others for an electric light on Wakefield Street be granted and a light be put in under the direction of the Electric Light committee

On motion of Councilman Turner voted the report be accepted and the recommendations adopted.

To the City Council of the City of Rochester.

Report on Bill J. J. Howe

Your committee to whom was referred the bill of $7.40 J. J. Howe against the City for teams delivered C. W. Hoyt after the change in ordinance requiring the Health officer to furnish his own teams. Having heard Mr Hoyt and Mr Howe in the matter recommend that the bill be paid.

Samuel Boyle[illegible] / F. S Wallace / W. J. Kimball — Com on Legal affairs

On motion of Councilman Rollins voted the report be accepted and the bill paid.

Petition of Sonie Mfg Co for permit to run sink drains from



1897 their boarding houses into the surface sewer presented. and on motion of Councilman Bickford voted the petition be granted. and the bill paid. By Councilman Fogg.

Petition of Sonie Mfg Co for sink drains

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Rochester.

Resolution to Grade School Lot E. Roch

That the sum of fifty dollars be taken from the miscellaneous department and expended under the direction of the committee of Public Instruction in grading the School house lot at East Rochester.

Referred to committee on Public Instruction

Claim of M. Smyth for damage

Communication from Margaret Smyth. asking for some remuneration from the City on account of injuries received on Sidewalk on Summer Street.

Referred to committee on Legal affairs.

Claim of R. Scruton & C. D Scruton for additional damage

Communication of Rachel Scruton and Chas D Scruton in relation to land damages awarded them on account of widening of River street.

Referred to committee on Legal affairs.

Petition of J. S Howe for Water Main

Petition of J. S Howe for a six inch water main to be laid through Douglass Street. presented and referred to committee on Water Works.

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Claim of Alexander Bartlett for damage to Brick Yard by an alleged defective Sewer. Referred to committee on Legal affairs.

Claim of A Bartlett for damage.

Petition of M H. Plummer for permit to move a small building through the streets from Railroad ave to Pleasant Street presented and on motion of Councilman Rollins voted the petition be granted.

Petition of M H Plummer to move Building

Petitions of Chas L Ward and others for the widening and straightening of Chestnut Pine Maple and Jackson Streets, read and on motion of Councilman Ames it was voted a hearing be granted on the first Tuesday of September.

Petitions to widen Pine Chestnut Maple and Jackson St.

By Councilman Fogg

Resolved by the city council of the city of Rochester that ten hours shall constitute a days labor in all the departments of said city and that the time in going to and from work shall not be reckoned in said ten hours and further that none but able bodied men shall be hired at full pay.

Resolution regulating hours of labor

On motion of Councilman Meader voted the rules be suspended and the resolution pass.

Hearing on the petitions of C. L Fuss and others for a Sewer



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Sewer on Leonard street being in order was conducted by Solicitor Cochrane, Civil Engineer Ames explained the plans.

Leonard St Sewer

On the report of the committee on the purchase of land of Joseph Warren for a sand pit. that was made at the last meeting, it was voted that the report be accepted and the recommendations adopted.

Purchase of Land of J. Warren

Report of committee on Finance on resolution of Mr Ames in relation to interest on Sewer bonds.

Report of Committee on Sewer Bond Interest.

The committee on finance to whom was referred the resolution requiring the department using any of the Sewer funds to pay the Sewer department interest. Report that the money on hand from Sale of the Sewer bonds was not kept on hand separate from other departments of the city, and it would be impossible to tell which department hired the money or what proportion each department used of the Sewer money. Considering the fact that the money to pay the Sewer bonds and interest is each year taken from the general fund and raised by taxation instead of the use of the Sewer being paid in part by those who use it, we would recommend that the Sewer fund be kept in the general

1897 treasury without interest, to be used for
sewer construction as needed.

Samuel D Felker
John D Fogg
} committee on finance

On motion of councilman J. D
Hussey voted the report be accepted and
the recommendation adopted.

By councilman Rollins.

Resolved by the city Council of the city of Rochester.

Appropriation to Highway

That the sum of four thousand dollars be raised by note or notes of said city for the use of highway department and that said sum constitute a portion of the city debt.

Voted the rules be suspended that the resolution may pass.

Yeas and Nays called on the passage of the resolution, resulting as follows.

Yea. councilman Fogg Hayes Rollins
Reed's. Meader Jay D. Hussey Daniel Hussey
Bickford Turner Scruton & Wallace 11
Nay Ames. The necessary two thirds not voting yea the resolution did not pass

On motion of councilman Ames voted to reconsider the last vote passed, and the yeas and nays again called resulting as follows.

Yea councilmen Fogg Hayes Ames Rollins
Reed's Meader Jay D Hussey. Daniel Hussey



1897 Bickford Turner Scruton & Wallace 12
and the resolution passed.

Marshals report for July read and placed on file.

Semi-annual report of Treas read and ordered placed on file.

Recess declared to consider land damages on various petitions for widening and straightening highways and Surface sewer on Leonard street.

After coming to order it was voted to lay out the sewer on Leonard street and the various land owners be awarded one cent each.

Leonard St Sewer

On motion of councilman Scruton it was voted that the highway from Sonic to Barrington town line past the residence of Smith Clark be widned and straightened according to the plan of the engineer and that the Charles Place heirs be awarded Twenty dollars — and Rachel Hayes $15.00

Highway Sonic to Barrington

On motion of councilman Meader voted the hearing on the petition to widen and straighten the highway leading from the estate of James M Hayes at the Dover line over Rochester neck to Sonic Village, be continued to Sept 7 — at 7-30. P.M.

Hearing continued

On motion of councilman

1897 Jay D Hussey it was voted Main street be widened and straightened according to the amended plans of the engineer and that Schedule Stranfield be awarded one hundred dollars. John S Legro Esq one hundred dollars. Mrs Josepha Jackson Fifty dollars. Nathaniel Burnham One hundred and fifty dollars.

Main St Widened and Straightened

On the petition to widen and straighten Lebbets avenue on motion of Councilman Fogg it was voted to continue the hearing to Sept 7-at 7-30 PM

Lebbets Ave hearing Continued

On motion of councilman Meader voted to adjourn.

Attest

Chas W Brown
City Clerk



1897

City of Rochester

September 7-1897.

Regular meeting of the city council. Mayor Felker in the chair.

Roll of council called responded to as follows.

Ward one Fogg and Hayes
Ward two Ames Rollins and Geddis.
Ward three Seavey and Meader
Ward four Jay D Hussey and Daniel Hussey
Ward five Bickford and Turner
Ward Six Hurdon and Wallace

Petition of Geo C Richards and others for water pipe from Portland St. through a proposed street known as McKinley Street. read and referred to committee on Water Works.

Petition of G. C. Richards for Water Pipe

Report on claim of Seavey and Sarah a McDuffee.

The committee on Legal Affairs would recommend that the Sum of two hundred fifty dollars be paid in Settlement of the McDuffee appeal for Sewer damages now pending in the Court.

Samuel D. Felker
F. L. Wallace
} Comm Legal affairs

Report on claim of Seavey and Sarah McDuffee

On motion of Councilman Rollins voted the report of the committee be accepted and the bill paid.

1897 The committee on Public Instruction to whom was referred the resolution appropriating fifty dollars to grade school house lot at East Rochester would recommend that the resolution pass.

Report on grading E. Rochester School House Lot

Samuel D. Felker
Sidney B. Hayes
Com on Pub. Instruction

On motion of Councilman Meader voted the report of the committee be accepted and the recommendations adopted.

The mayor appointed the following as special Police to serve during the fair James B. Young, Chas. W. Hoyt Melville B. Neal and Palsey Grimes.

Special Police Appointed

Petition of Frank O Ward and two others to widen and straighten Washington Street and Main street from Strafford Square north past the house of Sarah Twombly.

Petition for Street widenings

On motion of councilman Seavey voted the petitioners be granted a hearing.

The Marshals report for August read and ordered to be placed on file.

Recess declared to consider the claim of Samuel T. Jewell.

Jewell's case to be settled

After coming to order it was voted on motion of Councilman Rollins to accept the proposition of Mr Jewell to settle for $700 and that the Berrys be released from further liability by paying $200. and the

1897 committee on Legal affairs prepare the necessary papers.

The hearing on the petitions for the widening and straightening of Highways being in order. Engineer Ames explained the amount necessary to be taken to make the streets of suitable width.

Hearing on street widening

Recess declared to consider land damages &c.

Council called to order and on motion of Councilman Meader voted that Chestnut Street be laid out forty (40) feet wide with the addition of 1½ feet that had been given and the land owners awarded one cent each.

Chestnut St

On motion of Councilman Jay D. Hussey voted hearing on Maple Street be continued.

On motion of Jay D. Hussey voted Jackson street be laid out 40 feet wide and the land owners awarded one cent each.

Jackson St

On motion of Jay D. Hussey voted the Highway from Rochester Neck through Gonic over the Cocheco river by Pickerings crossing to the Dover line be laid out according to the plan of the Engineer and that Leslie Hayes be awarded $25.00 ✓ 1897

Road from Rochester Neck

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|---|---|---|---|
| Joseph Warren | 25.00 | ✓ | " |
| Joseph O Hayes | 20.00 | ✓ | " |
| Chas S Whitehouse | 100.00 | ✓ | 1898 |
| Geo M Dupee | 75.00 | ✓ | " |

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Sonie Mfg. Co. $100.00 ✓
and all others one cent each.

On motion of Councilman Moeder voted that whenever land is taken for sidewalks on Tebbetts avenue the owners be awarded fifteen (15) cents per foot. — Tebbetts Ave

Albert Sagne $100.00

On motion of Councilman Ames voted Pine Street be laid out according to plans of the Engineer and Mrs Oscar Olsen or H M Plumer be awarded $50.00 — Pine Street

Purdon R. Francis 10.00
and all others one cent each.

On motion of Councilman Fogg voted Walnut Street be laid out according to the plans of the engineer and that Rodney Lewis be awarded 25.00 — Walnut Street

Thomas H. Coons 10.00
Est Joseph Hanson 1.00
Orrin Page 10.00
John B. Francis 10.00
Frank L Hussey 20.00
David W. Buck 8.00

the city to build wire fence on the new line.
All others one cent each.

On motion of Councilman J. D Hussey voted to adjourn.

Attest Chas. W. Brown
City Clerk



1897

Rochester September 17- 1897.

To Charles W. Brown Esq
City Clerk.

Please call a meeting of the City Council Saturday Evening Sept 18 1897 at 7-30 o'clock. To consider the following Subjects.

Proposed amendment of Chapter XV Sections 2 & 4 in relation to licensing carriages or other vehicles used for the conveyance of passengers.

The appointment of Special Police

Samuel D Felker
Mayor

Agreeably to the above order a notice was mailed to each member of the council.

Chas W Brown
City Clerk

1897

City of Rochester

Sept-18. 1897.

Special meeting of the city council called to order by the Mayor.

The following councilmen were present.

Ward two Ames Rollins and Geddis.
Ward three Meader
Ward four Daniel Hussey
Ward five Bickford and Turner
Ward Six Kimball Scanlon and Wallace 10

The Mayor appointed the following Special Police to serve during the fair. Albert Darby Fred R Adams Wm H. Brock. W. H Abbott from Robinson

Special Police Appointed

On motion of councilman Rollins voted the appointments be confirmed.

Moved by councilman Turner that the rules be suspended and the Ordinance in relation to licensing teams be abolished.

On motion of councilman Rollins voted to adjourn.

Attest

Chas W. Brown
City Clerk



1897

City of Rochester

October 5 1897

Regular meeting of the city council Mayor Felker presiding.

The following councilmen responded to roll call.

Ward one. Blaisdell and Hoyt.
Ward Two Ames Rollins and Geddis
Ward Three Meader and Babb
Ward Four Daniel Hussey
Ward Five Bickford and Turner
Ward Six Kimball Scanlon Wallace

Record of previous meetings read and approved

Petition of H & L. Co for additional Ladders and Supplies. Referred to committee on Fire Department

Petition of Tobacco Hose Co. for an appropriation to fix up Hall read. and referred to committee on fire Dept.

Petition of Chas Roberts for an abatement in taxes read and referred to committee on Finance

Petition of S. F. Felker & others for the widening of River Street read and referred to committee on Highways.

Petition of C. H Davis and others for an additional street light in ward one. read and referred to committee

Petition of H & L. Co

Petition of Tobacco Hose Co

Petition of Chas Roberts

River St

Petition for Street Light Ward 1

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on street Lights.

Petition for water Pipe ward one

Petition of J. W. McLittis and others for additional water pipe in Ward one read and referred to committee on Water works and Sewerage.

Petition to take land on River St

Petition of L. P. Pickering and W. M. Ames to take land on River street for Park and other Public uses read and on motion of councilman Meader voted a hearing be granted the petitioners Nov 2 at 7-30 P.M.

Resolution for Sewer Railroad Avenue Sonic

By Councilman Meader,

Resolved by the city council of the city of Rochester.

That the Superintendent of Sewers be instructed to lay a Sewer from the new School house lot in Sonic to connect with the main sewer at the B & M railroad of sufficient capacity to carry off the surface water. to be paid for from the Sewer department

By Councilman Babb

Resolution in relation to the state tax. laid on the table.

The hearing on Maple street being in order. Engineer Ames presented plans recess declared to consult them.

Council called to order.

Petition of Honore Beaulanger and others for Sidewalk on Jebbetts ave



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read, and on motion of Councilman Kimball voted the petitioners be granted a hearing October 21st at 7-30 o'clock P.M.

Petition for Sidewalk Jebbetts Ave

On motion of Councilman Kimball voted that when we adjourn we adjourn to October 21st at 7-30 P.M.

Washington Street hearing

On motion of Councilman Kimball voted a hearing be granted the petitioners for the widening of Washington Street and upper main street. October 21st at 7-30 P.M.

Lisence money to be returned

On motion of Councilman Hayes voted the clerk be instructed to return the money to all who had paid for team license. On this the Yeas & Nays demanded resulting as follows.

Yea Councilmen Blaisdell Hayes Ames Rollins Briddis Meader Babb. Kimball and Scruton, 9. Nays Councilmen Daniel Hussey Bickford Turner and Wallace H. and the motion of Councilman Hayes prevailed

Recess declared to consider petitions after coming to order.

Maple St hearing adjourned

Voted on motion of Councilman Meader that the hearing on the petition for the widening of Maple Street be adjourned to October 21st at 7-30 P.M.

On motion of Councilman Daniel Hussey voted the claim of

1897

A. Cartier be left to the committee on Legal affairs with power to settle if deemed advisable.

A. Cartier's claim to be settled

On motion of Councilman Wallace voted the committee on Sonic School house make an exchange of land with Geo F. Babb for portion of School House lot as they deem for the best interest of the city.

Land exchange to be effected

On motion of Councilman Hayes voted the matter in reference to the Sewer on Railroad avenue Sonic be left to the Sewer committee to be put in if they think advisable.

~~On motion of~~ Councilman Kimball voted the claim of Nathaniel Preston be settled for $100.00 and the papers drawn up.

N. Preston's claim to be Settled

On motion of Councilman Hayes voted to adjourn to the time specified,

Attest

Chas. W. Brown

City Clerk,



1897

City of Rochester

October 21st 1897.

Council met this evening agreeable to adjournment with Mayor Felker in the chair. The following councilmen were present and responded to the roll call

Ward one Fogg.
Ward Two Ames and Rollins
Ward Four Jay D. Hussey and Daniel Hussey
Ward Five Bickford and Turner
Ward Six Kimball Scruton and Wallace.

Petition of Warren B. Jones and others for a new highway in ward one read and referred to committee on Roads Bridges and Drains

Petition for Highway Ward 1

Petition of John Jones and Warren Jones for additional water main read and referred to committee on Water Works with power to act.

Petition for Water Pipe S. Rochester

Petition of A. W. Pease and others for an additional street light on Washington Street read and referred to committee on Street Lights.

Petition for Street Light Washington St

Remonstrance of Lyrick Vallie and others against the further widening of River street, read and referred to committee on Roads Bridges & Drains.

Remonstrance against River St widening

Protest of Boston & Maine railroad against the widening of the highway crossing at Sonic station read and referred to

Protest of B & M R R

1897 Committee on Roads Bridges & Drains

Communication from David Hayes in relation to land damages awarded him on account of the widening of Summer Street. On motion of councilman Daniel Hussey voted to refer to committee on Legal affairs.

Communication from Wm. J. Preston in relation to taking water from his pasture read and referred to committee on Legal affairs.

Communication from D. Hayes.

Communication from Wm J Preston

to adjust. Councilman Rollins appointed to act in this case in place of the mayor.

Statement of uncollected taxes for 1896. made and the offer of collector Stevens to pay 33⅓ and settle the list. On motion of councilman Rollins voted the offer be accepted.

Uncollected Taxes Settlement of

Report of committee on Street Light. on Petition of L. H. Davis & others.

To the Hon mayor and Council of the city of Rochester N.H.

Your committee on Electric Light to whom was referred a petition from citizens of ward one in the city of Rochester N.H. representing that an Electric light should be placed on the corner of Pearl and Walnut street for the benefit of the travelling public in pursuance to our duty we submit the following. after a careful examination of the locality referred to by the petitioners

Report of Committee on Street Light



1897 we are of the opinion that their request should be granted.

John D Fogg (Committee
Jay D. Hussey (on St Light

On motion of councilman Rollins voted the report be accepted and the request granted.

Report of committee on Legal affairs on claim of Benj Harris for damages

Your committee on Legal Affairs to whom was referred the claim of Benjamin Harris for damages on account of the destruction of his brick during the freshet, report that in their opinion there is no legal liability

Samuel D Felker (committee
N. J. Kimball (on Legal
F. L. Wallace (affairs,

On motion of councilman J. D. Hussey voted the report be accepted.

Report of committee on Legal affairs on claim of Benj Harris

Report of committee on Fire Department on petition of Hook & Ladder Co.

To the City Council of the City of Rochester

The committee on Fire Dept to whom was referred the request of the Chief engineer for authority to purchase Ladders &c for the Hook & Ladders Co. think the articles asked for by the company are needed and should be purchased from

Report of committee on Fire Dept on Petition of H & L Co

1897

the appropriation for Fire Department but question the advisability of delegating the purchasing power outside of the council or its committee

N. S. Kimball (committee
Jay D. Hussey (on Fire Dept.

On motion of councilman Fogg voted the report be accepted.

Report of committee on Fire Dept on Petition of Lochiel Hose Co.

By the same committee on petition of Lochiel Hose Co.

To the City Council of the city of Rochester.

The committee on Fire Dept to whom was referred the request of Lochiel Hose Co No. 1 for a special appropriation of twenty dollars for repairs on their Hall, do not consider such appropriation needed, as there are funds now to the credit of that department, Your committee has examined the building, and unless otherwise ordered by the council, will expend the needed amount to put the Hall in proper condition

N. S. Kimball (committee on
Jay D. Hussey (Fire Dept.

On motion of councilman Rollins voted the report be accepted.

Petition of J. B. & Willis McDuffee for permission to remodel house on Charles Street read and on motion of councilman Rollins voted the petition be granted.

Petition of Willis McDuffee



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Report of committee on Roads Bridges & Drains on petition of Samuel F. Felker and others.

Report of committee on Highways on River St

The undersigned committee on Highways to whom was referred the petition of Samuel F. Felker and others to widen and straighten River Street respectfully submit that while we are in favor of taking all the land and buildings on the easterly side from the Stone Bridge to land recently taken of Hattie L. Hussey, the council has refused to close on a similar petition this season, and as the council has carefully considered and looked over the premises, must respectfully decline to recommend the same but leave it in the hands of the council.

L. W. Rickford (committee
S. B. Seaton (on Highways

On motion of councilman Turner voted the report of the committee be accepted.

On motion of councilman Kimball voted the consideration of the petition be indefinitely postponed.

Amendment Chapt XV of Gen Ordinance

Councilman Turner offered an amendment to Chapter XV of the General Ordinances.

On motion of councilman Rollins voted the rules be suspended and the ordinance adopted.

1897 By Councilman Babb

Resolved by the city council of the city of Rochester.

That the money coming to the city from a reduction of the county tax be used to pay the expenses of widening street and the land damage.

Resolution to pay Land Damagesre

On motion of councilman Fogg, voted the rules be suspended and the resolution pass.

By councilman Meader.

Resolved by the mayor and city council of the city of Rochester.

That the water main near the Gonic Bridge be extended through Railroad avenue in said village towards the depot of the Boston & Maine Railroad as far as the committee may deem for the best interests of the city.

Resolution to lay water Pipe in Gonic

On motion of councilman Ames. voted to amend the resolution so as to read "the pipe to be extended to the front of the School house.

On motion of councilman Rollins voted the rules be suspended and the resolution as amended pass.

The consideration of petitions to widen streets being in order Reuel Wood was declared to consult plans.

On motion of councilman



1897 Kimball. voted the hearing on Washington and Maple Streets be continued to Nov 2 at 7-30 PM.

Washington & Maple St hearing Continued

On motion of councilman Kimball voted a committee of three be appointed by the mayor to consider the advisibility of putting a stone curbing around Woodman Square and report at the next meeting of the council.

Woodman Square improvement

The mayor appointed councilmen Kimball Turner and Fogg.

Moved by councilman Turner that the sidewalk on Tebbetts Avenue be laid out. and the abutters be assessed one half the expense

Councilman Rollins called for the yeas and nays. no quorum being present the mayor adjourned the hearing on Tebbetts Avenue Sidewalk to Nov 2 at 7-30 PM. and the council adjourned.

Attest

Chas W. Brown

City Clerk

1897

City of Rochester

Nov 2- 1897

Regular meeting of the city council called to order by the mayor

The following councilmen responed to Roll call

Ward Two Ames & Geddis

Ward Three Meader

Ward Four [illegible] & Jay D Hussey

Ward Five Bickford and Turner

Ward Six Kimball and Scruton

No quorum being present all road hearings were adjourned to Nov 4th at 7-30. P.M. and the mayor adjourned the council to that time.

Attest

Chas H. Brown

City Clerk



1897

City of Rochester

Nov 4-1897.

Adjourned meeting of the city council met agreeably to adjournment.

Roll of council called to which the following councilmen responded

Ward one Fogg and Hayes

Ward Two Ames Rollins and Geddis

Ward Three Seavey.

Ward Four Page, Hussey and D. Hussey

Ward Five Frank Bickford and Turner

Ward Six Kimball and Scruton

Record of last meeting read and approved.

C. H. Meader Bill

Bill of C.H. Meader read and referred to committee on water works.

Report on case of V. Jewell

Report of committee on Legal affairs on claim of Vienna Jewell.

The committee on legal affairs have been requested by Vienna Jewell to have inserted in the deed from her to the city a clause granting her the right to drain the meadow belonging to her through the old outlet of the pond, and to obtain water for cattle in their lower pasture, and the committee can see no objection to same until such time as the city may wish to use said old outlet for the purpose of building a dam or draining the said marsh. and they would recommend

1897 that the following clause be inserted in said deed. Said Jewell shall have the right that the city may have to lower the old outlet to Round Pond for the purpose of draining their Meadow and furnishing their lower pasture with water for cattle until such time as the city may need the same in connection with the use of Round Pond.

Samuel D. Felker (committee
Nathaniel T. Kimball (on Legal affairs

On motion of councilman Rollins voted the report of the committee be accepted.

Petition of E. H. Iverson for the extension of the sewer on Grove street read and referred to committee on Sewerage.

Petition of E. H. Iverson

Councilman Turner offered an ordinance for adoption which was referred to committee on Bills in their Second Reading.

Ordinance presented

Councilman Turner offered an amendment to Chapter XII of the General Ordinances which was referred to committee on bills in their Second Reading.

Amendment to Chapt XII Gen Ordinance

Report of the City Marshal for October read and ordered to be placed on file.

Report of the committee on Legal affairs on claim of David Hayes.

The committee on Legal



1897 Affairs to whom was referred the petition of David Hayes for increase of damages on account of the widening of Summer street report that they have investigated the matter and in their judgement the award is ample for the amount of land taken, and recommend that the petitioner have leave to withdraw, and also if the highway committee see fit to do so, that Mr Hayes curbing be reset at the expense of the city, providing it can be used in connection with laying the brick sidewalk and that the committee on highways be instructed to finish the sidewalk.

Report on Claim of D. Hayes

Samuel D. Felker (committee
Nathaniel T. Kimball (on Legal Affairs

On motion of councilman Fogg voted the report of the committee be accepted and their recommendation adopted.

Report of Committee on claim of B & M RR

Report of Highway committee on protest of B & M railroad.

The committee on Highways to whom was referred the petition of the B & M. Railroad with reference to the widening of the highway near the Gonic station, would recommend that said highway shall be three rods wide over said railroad location from the northerly side line of said street as widened and straightened on July 6 - 1897

C W. Bickford (committee on
S. B. Scruton (Highways

1897 on motion of councilman J. D. Hussey voted the report be accepted and the recommendations adopted.

Report of committee on claim of Chas D. Scruton

Report of committee on Legal affairs on claim of Chas D and Rachel Scruton

The committee on Legal affairs to whom was referred the petition of Charles D. Scruton and Rachel Scruton for an increase of damages caused by taking their land to widen River street recommend that the same be increased twenty five dollars making the award seventy five dollars to both, instead of $40 and $10 respectively

Samuel D. Felker
Nathaniel T. Kimball
} Committee on Legal affairs

On motion of councilman J. D. Hussey. voted the report of the committee be accepted and the recommendations adopted.

Report on claim of miss Smyth

By the same committee on claim of miss Smyth.

The committee on Legal Affairs to whom was referred the petition of Margaret Smyth for damages caused by a defective sidewalk on Summer street have investigated the same and find that while she was injured on the sidewalk as the claims, under chapter 52 of the Laws of 1893 cities or towns are only liable for accidents happening upon



1897 a defective bridge culvert or sluiceway or dangerous embankment or defective railways upon any highway, and as the accident did not happen by reason of any such defect there is no legal liability on the part of the city.

Samuel D. Felker
Nathaniel T. Kimball
} Committee on Legal affairs

On motion of councilman Ames. voted the report be accepted.

On motion of councilman Ames voted miss Smyth be paid one hundred dollars.

Report on petition of J. Will McCrillis

Report of committee on Water Works on petition of J. Will McCrillis.

Your committee having investigated the matter are of the opinion that the income to be derived will not warrant the expense of the outlay to put in the water.

Charles F. Trask
Sidney B. Hayes
} Committee on Water Works

On motion of councilman J. D. Hussey voted the report be accepted.

Report of Comm on St Lights

Report on petition of A. W. P. Mace and others.

The committee on Electric Lights to whom was referred the petition for a light at the corner of Washington and Cleveland streets. have looked over the situation and concluded that a

1897 light is badly needed at some point near that one asked for by the petitioners as it would light a large territory, the nearest light being a considerable distance away. They would recommend that the petition be granted, the light to be placed by the committee on street lights.

John D. Fogg, Jay D. Hussey — committee on Street Lights

On motion of councilman Page voted the report be accepted and the recommendations adopted.

Report on petition J. O Richards

Report of committee on Water Works on petition of Geo O. Richards and others for water on McKinley St (so called)

The committee on Water Works having investigated this matter would recommend that the water be put in on that street

Rochester November 4th 1897

Charles F. Trask, Sidney B Hayes — committee on Water Works.

On motion of councilman Rollins voted the report be accepted and the recommendations adopted,

Report on petition of W. C. Jones

Report of committee on Highways on petition of Warren b. Jones.

The Highway committee has attended to the duties assigned them



1897 and would recommend this street be layed out forty feet wide to correspond with streets running parallel with it. and accepted by the city.

S. W. Bickford, S. B. Scruton — Highway Committee

On motion of councilman J. D. Hussey voted the report be accepted.

Petition of W. b. Jones

Petition of Warren b. Jones and others for a new Highway in East Rochester.

On motion of councilman Kimball voted a hearing be granted the petitioners Nov 26 at 7-30 P.M. also the hearing on the other East Rochester petition. and McKinley street beat the same time

Petitions to widen & Straighten Highways

Various petitions for widening and straightening highways signed by Chas M Horne and others read and on motion of councilman Kimball voted they be granted a hearing Nov 26 - and that the hearing on the petition for the widening and straightening of upper main street be at the same time

The hearing on the petition to take land for a Park and other public uses on River street, being in order, on motion of councilman Hayes it was voted

1897 the lay out be made and the land taken and Norway Plains too be awarded $100.

Recess declared to consider Maple & Washington streets petitions also the petition for sidewalk on Tebbetts Ave.

After coming to order it was voted on motion of Councilman J. D. Hussey that Washington Street be laid out according to the plan of the engineer and the land owners be awarded as damages one cent each.

On motion of Councilman Daniel Hussey voted Maple street be laid out as per plan of the engineer and that Richard Thompson be awarded as damages $30.00 and Herman A McDuffee $60.00 and all others one cent each

On motion of Councilman Page voted the sidewalk be laid on Tebbetts Ave and the abbutters be assessed one half the cost,

Moved by Councilman Ames that the sewer be laid from Charles street into the Rochester Creamery.

Councilman Kimball offered an amendment, that it be put in providing the owner of the land will give a permanent right, and the amendment was adopted, and the motion of Councilman Ames as amended was carried.

Sewer to be put in to Creamery



1897 On motion of Councilman Rollins voted the matter of the sewer through the Hale field be left to the committee on Roads Bridges and Drains to make arrangements with the Hale heirs, or extend the sewer through Congress Street as they may deem advisable, and that they have full power to act.

Sewer thro Hale field to be adjusted

The committee on Woodman Square asked for further time which was granted.

On motion of Councilman Hayes voted to adjourn to Nov 26.

Attest

Chas W. Brown
City Clerk

1897

City of Rochester

Nov 26. 1897

Adjourned meeting of the city council called to order by Mayor Felker.

Roll of council called to which the following councilmen responded.

Ward One Fogg.

Ward Two Ames and Rollins

Ward Three Seavey Meader and Babb.

Ward Four Joy D. Hussey.

Ward Five Frank Bickford and Turner

Ward Six Kimball and Stanton

Hearing on Highway Petitions

The hearing on the widening and straightening of highways being in order. an opportunity was offered for any one that desired to be heard.

Recess was declared to consult plans and to consider the petitions.

After coming to order.

On motion of councilman Seavey it was voted Walnut Avenue in ward one be laid out Fifty feet wide according to plan and land owners be awarded one cent each.

On motion of councilman Babb voted McKinley Street be laid out forty five feet wide according to plan. and all land owners awarded one cent each.

On motion of councilman



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Fogg voted a street leading from Grove street to Walnut avenue in ward one be laid out forty feet wide and called Warren Street. and land owners awarded one cent each.

On motion of councilman Bickford voted upper Main street be laid out according to plan. and that Mrs Sarah Twombly and. J. Frank Twombly be awarded for land taken at the rate of one hundred dollars per acre. and all others one cent each.

On motion of councilman Turner voted the road by the French cemetery in Gonic be laid out according to plan and land owners awarded one cent each. with the exception of J. A. McDuffee who is awarded Fifteen dollars.

On motion of councilman Ames voted the new road to Barrington depot be laid out according to plan and Ephraim H Whitehouse awarded Five dollars. and all others one cent each.

On motion of councilman Kimball voted the highway leading from Smith Clarks to Geo. O. Pearls be laid out according to plan and the land owners awarded one cent each.

On motion of councilman J. D. Hussey voted the highway leading

1897 from Parrys brick-yard to George O. Barlis be laid out four rods wide and all land owners be awarded one cent each.

On motion of councilman Meader voted Charles Street be laid out according to plan and land owners awarded one cent each.

On motion of councilman Trask voted that Demeritt street in Gonic be laid out fifty feet wide and all land owners awarded one cent each.

On motion of councilman Rollins voted the street leading from Church Street to Sherman street be laid out fifty two feet wide and land owners awarded one cent each.

On motion of councilman Scruton voted the French Hussey road leading from Washington Street to the Gonic road be laid out sixty feet wide and Ann Reynolds awarded twenty five dollars.
George H Tebbetts twelve 79/100 dollars
William H Felker ten dollars
George McClellan Seven 79/100 dollars
J. E. Chesley eight 99/100 dollars
Frank Hussey Five dollars

Hearing on Sonic Road Continued

On motion of councilman Fogg voted the hearing on the road to Sonic be continued to December 7-1

Petition of Geo E. Varney



1897 for permit to raise his grist mill building one story, and to make an addition to his shed. Petition of Geo E Varney

On motion of councilman Kimball voted that so much of the petition as relates to the shed, the rules be suspended and the permit granted, and the petition refered to committee on Fire Dept.

Claim of L. A. Cassidy

Claim of Laurence A Cassidy for damages sustained on account of a defective culvert. Referred to committee on Legal affairs.

Petitions for street widenings

Petition of Frank Smith and others to widen and straighten Wakefield street.

On motion of councilman Kimball voted a hearing be granted the petitioners December 18- at two oclock P. M.

Petition of John Crockett and others, voted a hearing be granted December 18 at 2 oclock P. M

Four other petitions for the widening and straightening of streets leading off upper Main street presented, and hearing appointed for December 18- at two oclock P. M.

By councilman Fogg.

Whereas it is necessary that the new highway between Rochester and East Rochester should be resurfaced another year, and the horses should be kept

1897 to work during the winter.

Be it resolved by the mayor and city council of the city of Rochester.

That the city horses be kept at work during the winter hauling stones for the stone crusher to macadamize and make permanent and satisfactory highway between these two sections of ~~the~~ city.

Resolution to macadamize Eastern Ave

Referred to committee on Highways.

On motion of councilman Ames voted the Marshal and committee on Police build the Fence at the rear of the city lot.

Marshal and Comm Police to build Fence

On motion of councilman Bickford voted the award to Rodney E. Cross be increased from twenty Five to Forty Five dollars.

R. E. Cross award amended

On motion of councilman Bickford voted to adjourn

attest

Chas W. Brown

City Clerk



1897 City of Rochester

December 7- 1897

Regular meeting of the city council called to order by the mayor. The following councilmen responded to Roll call.

Ward one Blaisdell

Ward two Ames Rollins and Geadis.

Ward three Seavey [illegible] and Babb

Ward Five Turner.

No quorum present the mayor adjourned the council to Dec 14 at 7-30 P. M.

Attest

Chas W. Brown

City Clerk.

1897 City of Rochester

December 9- 1897

The council met agreeably to the provisions of the City Ordinances to canvass the mayoralty vote.

In the absence of the mayor called to order by the clerk

Roll of council called to which the following responded

Ward one Fogg

Ward two Rollins

Ward Three Meader

Ward Four Jay D. Hussey and Daniel Hussey

Councilman Fogg chosen Chairman pratem

The committee on elections and returns made the following report.

To the Mayor and City Council of the city of Rochester

We have examined the return of the several ward Clerks of the mayoralty vote and find the result as follows

Ward 1 William G. Bradley had 126

John W. Berry . . 154-

Ward 2 William G. Bradley . 153

John W. Berry . . 73

Geo. O. Richards . . 1

Ward 3 William G. Bradley . 122

John W. Berry . 87



1897 Ward 4 William G. Bradley had 171

John W. Berry . 178

Amasa Dame . 1

Ward 5 William G. Bradley . 135

John W. Berry . 54

Jonathan F. Dodge . 1

Ward 6 William G. Bradley . 184

John W. Berry . 70

Herman Woodes 1

Total

William G. Bradley 901

John W. Berry 646

Scattering 4

On motion of councilman Kimball voted the report be accepted the proper record made and William G. Bradley declared elected mayor. adjourned

Attest

Chas W. Brown

City Clerk

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City of Rochester

December 14-1897

Adjourned meeting of the City council called to order by the mayor The following councilmen responded to roll call.

Ward two Ames

Ward ~~five~~ Kimball.

No quorum present the mayor adjourned the meeting to December 18 at two o'clock P.M.

Attest

Chas W. Brown

City Clerk



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City of Rochester

December 18-1897

Adjourned meeting of the City called to order by the mayor.

The roll of council called to which the following responded

Ward one Fogg and Blaisdell

Ward Three Meader

Ward Four Page and Daniel Hussey

No quorum present the mayor continued all road hearings to Tuesday Dec 21-1897. and the council adjourned to that day.

Attest Chas W. Brown

City Clerk

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City of Rochester

December 21 1897.

Adjourned meeting of the City council called to order by the mayor

Roll of council called and responded to as follows.

Ward one. Fogg Blaisdell and Hayes

Ward Two Ames Rollins and Geddis.

Ward Three Seavey and Babb.

Ward Four Page. Jay D. Hussey and D. Hussey

Ward Five Frank Bickford and Turner

Ward Six Kimball Scruton and Wallace

Record of previous meetings read and approved.

Remarks by the mayor in relation to the finances of of the City. and the condition of the several departments.

Petition of S.D. Wentworth for permit to put in Hay Scales. on Main St near Odd Fellows Block, read and on motion of Daniel Hussey voted to refer to committee on Roads Bridges & Drains with power to act.

Petition of S.D. Wentworth

Claim of J. F. Twombly read and referred to committee on Legal affairs

Claim of J. F. Twombly

Report of Committee on Highways on Sewer in Hale field.

Your committee to whom was referred the matter of taking the Sewer out of the Hale Field or arranging for its continuance with the Hale heirs

Report on Sewer in Hale Field



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so called would recommend that the Sewer be taken up and discontinued as it now exists, and that a Surface Sewer or drain be laid from a drop opposite the Fish Market on Central Square along Main to Congress Street and from thence along and through Congress Street to the deep Sewer running across said Congress Street and thence turning and following along the line of said deep Sewer to Cocheco River. The estimated cost of laying the same according to the report of the Engineer being $1431.73.

On motion of Councilman Rollins voted the report be accepted and adopted and that this Council recommend to the incoming Council to raise money for this purpose.

Protest against widening and straightening the road over Haven's Hill

Protest against widning Road over Haven Hill

Referred to committee on Highways. if no action was taken at this meeting.

By Councilman Bickford.

Resolution to transfer overplus

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Rochester.

That the Committee on Finance be authorized to transfer the money raised and appropriated for the year 1897 from the departments in which there may be a surplus. to the departments where

1897 there may be dificiency including the survey and widening of Streets so that all bills owing from the city may be paid.

On motion of councilman Ames voted the rules be Suspended and the resolution pass.

Report of committee on Legal affairs on claim of Laurence A. Cassidy

Report on claim L.A Cassidy

To the City Council.

Your Committee on Legal affairs to whom was referred the claim of Laurence A Cassidy for fifty dollars damage to himself buggy and harness by reason of a defective bridge Corring. have investigated the matter and through his attorney W. I. Gunnison can Settle the same for twenty five dollars which we think would be a fair and reasonable adjustment of the claim. and respectfully recommend that the city Council pay the said Sum of Twenty Five dollars to W. I. Gunnison in full Settlement of same

H. I. Kimball (Com on
F. C. Wallace / Legal affairs

On motion of councilman Ames voted the report be accepted and the money paid from miscellaneous department.

By Councilman Kimball

Be it resolved by the



1897 City Council of the City of Rochester.

Resolution to invest money belonging to Fire Department

That the Sum of Forty eight hundred dollars $4800 now in the general fund to the credit of the Fire Department received from the Sale by the city of the Hanson Street Fire Station and land. be invested in a note or notes of the City until Such time as the City Shall build a fire station to take the place of the one Sold. when the above amount with accrued interest Shall be applied to the building of Said Fire Station and for no other purpose

Referred to Committee on Finance

City Marshals report for November read and ordered to be placed on file.

Amendment to Chapt XII Gen Ordinances

Report of Committee on bills in Second Reading on amendment to Chapter XII of General Ordinances

The committee on bills in their Second Reading report the above amendment as in proper form

S. B. Serutos (
C. H Seavey | Committee on Bills in their Second Reading
John D Fogg |

Passed Second Reading without amendment. and on motion of Councilman Rollins voted the amendment be adopted. By Same Committee

1897 The committee on Bills in their Second Reading to whom was referred the proposed amendment to the ordinances of the city of Rochester declaring the city council a continuous body report that the same if adopted should be made a seperate chapter of the General Ordinances or be made as an amendment to some chapter.

Report Committee on Bills in Second Reading

City or town governments possess only such authority as is especially granted to such town or city either by charter or general law applicable to all such towns or cities and no ordinance can increase the power or authority of such City or bind any future Council. S. B. Sexton / C H Seavey / John D. Fogg } Committee on Bills in Second Reading

On motion of Councilman Kimball voted to recommit the Ordinance to the same committee and to City Solicitor for additional information.

Ordinance in relation to building

Councilman Turner offered an Ordinance, in relation to erection of buildings on Streets not properly laid out. which was referred to Committee on bills in their Second Reading.

Councilman Rollins wanted to know why the Sewer had not been put in to Decatur Creamery. Councilman Hussey explained why it had not been put in.

Moved by Councilman Rollins



1897 that the Committee on Sewerage be instructed to put in the Sewer to Decatur Creamery. Yeas & Nays called for. during Roll call Councilman Turner moved the question be postponed to the next meeting. it was decided that the motion was in order, and it was carried.

Sewer to Creamery

Report of Com on petition G. E Varney.

Report of committee on Fire Department on the petition of Geo. E Varney.

Your committee on Fire Department to whom was referred the above request for permit to raise building, recommend the same be granted.

On motion of Councilman Turner voted the report of the committee be accepted and the petition granted.

Petition of G. H. Tebbetts

Geo H Tebbetts petitioned for an increase of land damages occasioned by the widening and straightening of the French Hussey road so called.

Referred to Committee on Legal Affairs.

Hearing on Highway petitions being in order, moved by Councilman Turner that the consideration of the petition to widen and Straighten the road leading over Haven Hill be indefinitely postponed not carried. Yeas and Nays called for resulting as follows.

Yea Councilmen Rollins Geadis Page

1897 Turner and Wallace 5
Nay Councilman Fogg Blaisdell Ames
Seavey Webb Jay D. Hussey Daniel Hussey
Frank Kimball and Scruton 10. and
motion did not prevail. After some discussion
Moved by councilman Turner
to postpone the consideration of this petition
to next meeting not carried.

Recess declared to consider plans Road by J. F. Twomby Laid out
&c. After coming to order on motion of
Councilman Frank that the road leading
by the house of J. Frank Twomby from
Main street to Walnut Street be laid out
Four rods wide and the land owners awarded
one cent each.

On motion of Councilman Scruton voted Willey St Laid out
Willey street be laid out Forty feet wide and
the land owners awarded one cent each

On motion of councilman Road to Sonic widened
Blaisdell voted road leading from
Rochester Village to Sonic be widened
at the Axe Handle factory and Benj F.
Hayes awarded Thirty Dollars *Over

On motion of Kimball voted the City to build fence on road leading past French Cem
Fence on the road leading past the French
Cemetery be moved at the expense of the
City whenever the City wishes to widen
the same agreeably to the lay out of Nov 26

On motion of Jay D Hussey
Voted the hearing on the petition to



1897 widen and straighten Wakefield Street Wakefield St
be continued to December 28 at 7-30 Continued
o'clock P.M

On motion of Councilman Park St
Daniel Hussey voted Park street hearing Continued
be continued to December 28 at 7-30
o'clock P.M.

On motion of Councilman High St
Ames voted High Street hearing be Continued
continued to Dec 28 at 7.30 o'clock P.M.

On motion of Councilman Road over
Seavey voted the hearing on the petition Haven Hill
on the road over Haven Hill be continued
continued to December 28 at 7-30
o'clock P.M.

On motion of Councilman
Turner voted that when we adjourn
we adjourn to December 28 at 7-30
o'clock P.M.

On motion of Councilman
Ames voted to adjourn to the time specified

Attest
Chas W. Brown
City Clerk

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City of Rochester

December 28. 1897

Adjourned meeting of the City council. met agreeably to adjournment with the Mayor in the Chair.

Report of Finance committee on claim of Chas Roberts.

The committee on Finance report that the above claim matter has been adjusted by the assessors.

L D. Felker

G. F. Trask,

Placed on file.

Report of committee on Legal affairs on bill of G. A Watson. — Report on bill of G Watson

To the City Council.

Your committee on Legal affairs to whom was referred the bill of Chas A Watson to the amount of nine dollars for labor and material on Genie Engine House for reason that said bill was not itemized. have been unable to get from Mr Watson a specific bill. but from quite a thorough investigation we find the true sum for material and labor should be six dollars which amount your committee advised him we would recommend if he would agree to accept the same, not having expressed his willingness to do so, we recommend that the City Council refuse to pay any sum in excess of six dollars



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and that any sum more than this is bogus and an extortion. Samuel D Felker

F. G. Wallace

N. J. Kimball

On motion of Councilman Rollins voted to accept report of committee and pay as recommended.

Report on petition of S.D. Wentworth — Report on petition of S D. Wentworth

Your committee has attended to the duties assigned them and have located the Hay Scales on the easterly side of Main Street close to Winter. and opposite John G. Morrill's block store and the same is now nearly completed.

G. W. Bickford / committee
S. B. Scruton / on
G. H. Seavey / Highways

Placed on file.

Report of Committee on Highways in relation to Petition of T. J. Decatur & others. — Report on Petition of T. J. Decatur and others

Your Committee have attended to the duties assigned them, and looked over the proposed street, and would recommend granting them permission to withdraw. As it is impossible to open a forty foot street without purchasing land of the abuttors, which your committee cannot recommend, and they should wait until such time as they make satisfactory arrangements to open a fifty foot street

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C W. Bickford / Committee
S. B. Scruton / on
to N. Seavey / Highways

On motion of Councilman Kimball voted the report be accepted and adopted.

Report of Finance committee on resolution to give note to Fire Dept.

Report of Com on Resolution to give a note to Fire Dept

The committee on Finance to whom was referred the resolution in relation to the money received from the sale of the Engine House on Hanson Street, have considered the same and recommend its adoption

S. D. Felker
C. F. Trask,

On motion of Councilman Meader voted the report be accepted and adopted.

Report of Committee on Bills in their Second Reading on proposed ordinance making the Council a continuous body.

Report on ordinance making Council Continuous body

To the Mayor and Council of the City of Rochester.

Your committee to whom was referred the proposed new ordinance declaring this council a continuous body, have given the subject such investigation as their facilities afforded and beg leave to submit the following report.

The legislature of New Hampshire is not a continuous body, and any declaration it might make that it was such would be



1897 an attempted usurpation of power in direct conflict with the constitution of the State. The legislatures of every state in the Union except New Hampshire, continue in existance during the period for which they are elected, whether in session or not. In New Hampshire the constitution provides, that the General Court shall dissolve of itself, or if in session, be dissolved by the Governor seven days preceding the day on which the terms of office of the members expire. Is the proposed ordinance in technical form? and are its provisions repugnant to the Laws and Constitution of the State? or to the Charter and ordinances of the City? The council is asking us to deal with large questions, it seems to us, the provisions of the proposed new ordinance are not harmonious to the enlarged power of the mayor recently given, by which he appoints entirely new committees at the beginning of each year, under Section 30 of the Rules and Orders of the Council. The only permanent and continuing body in this country, so far as your committee are informed, is the United States Senate, its presiding officer is not elected by the Senate and its other officers as a rule when once chosen remain in office until

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vacancies occur by death, removal, or resignation, in its organization and tenure of its officers it bears strong resemblance to the House of Lords, its members even are not elected by the people, as are the members of the house of representatives, and your committee are unable to find any instance where a State legislature has been guided in its organization or dissolution by the rules of the United States Senate. In several states the members of the Senate are chosen for a longer term than the members of the house some divided into classes, and some not so divided, but in all cases the period of the dissolution of the Senate is determined by the official term of the house, though the members of the Same are chosen for a longer period.

All the power vested by law in towns or in the inhabitants thereof, shall be exercised by the city council. Special powers are sometime granted or defined in the charter creating cities. Your committee have examined the Charter of the City of Rochester and are unable to find any expressed or implied authority given in the matter of its legislative powers, beyond the general authority conferred by Statute Viz: such power as is vested by law in towns's notown government has ever been a continuous



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body, or been so considered. So far we can learn we do not understand city governments are made such, either by the constitution or Statutes. We are not prepared to say the proposed ordinance is repugnant to the Charter, or is not in technical form, but we are of the unanimous opinion, that it is inconsistant with at least section 20 of the Rules and Orders herein before mentioned, and is repugnant to the letter and spirit of Chapter III of the General Ordinances in which the members of the council holding over, and the members elect are annually classed together and designated the "incoming council".

S. B. Scruton (Laws on
John D Fogg (Bills in
Silas A Seavey (Second Reading
Jay L Lawrence City Solicitor

On motion of Councilman Innes voted the report be accepted and placed on file.

On motion of Councilman Rollins voted the proposed amendment be indefinitely postponed. Yeas and nayes called for by Councilman Turner. Resulting as follows Yea- Councilmen Fogg Blaisdell Innes Rollins Seeds Seavey Meade Jay D Hussey Frank Kimball and Scruton 11. No. Nayes Daniel Hussey Bickford and Turner 4. and it was voted

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to indefinitely postpone.

Councilman Ames moved that the matter of Sewer for Directors Creamery be taken up at this time and that the Committee be instructed to put in the Sewer. on the motion the yeas and nays called resulting as follows.

Yea. Hays. Ames. Rollins Geddis "

Nay Fogg Brainerd Seavey Meader J. D. Hussey Daniel Hussey. Lot Trask Bickford Turner Kimball and Scruton " and the motion of Councilman Ames did not prevail.

Sewer to Creamery Postponed

Recess declared. after calling to order the Committee on Legal affairs reported on claim of Geo H Tebbetts. as follows.

Report on Claim of G H Tebbetts

The committee on legal affairs to whom was referred the petition of Geo H. Tebbetts for increase of land damage caused by widining back road by the Cemetery.

Report that they have examined the premises and think he should be paid the sum of fifty dollars per acre for land taken. about 3/4 acres.

Samuel D. Felker

H I Kimball.

On motion of Councilman Ames voted the report be accepted and adopted.

Road hearings being in order D. Hanson appeared as an interested party on Wakefield Street. and protested against



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the widening of Wakefield street according to the present survey of engineer.

C W Dame appeared on the main road petition. as an interested party

Recess declared to consider damages &c

Council called to order. and on motion of Councilman Meader voted High Street be laid out. 40 feet wide and all land owners be awarded one cent each.

High St Layed out

On motion of Councilman Trask voted Park street be laid out 40 ft wide and the estate of Emerson Furber awarded Seventy Five Dollars and all others one cent each.

Park St Layed out

On motion of Councilman Turner voted Wakefield Street be laid out from Hanson Street to Sturtevant court according to present lay out. and from Sturtevant Court to junction of Milton road with Chestnut Hill road according to plan of Engineer and above that point to be four rods wide.

Wakefield Street Layed out

On motion of Councilman Fogg voted D. Hanson be awarded $250.00 & has benefited $125.00 Boston & Maine R R. $10.00 Heirs of E. J. Mathes Fifty dollars Mrs Helen Brock Thirty dollars and all others one cent each

On motion of Councilman Seavey voted Main Road over Haven Hill be laid

Main Road Layed out

1897 out bighty feet wide according to plan making the changes at Mr Harris and Mrs Jacksons and that whenever any wall is to be moved that is not now in the highways it shall be moved at the expense of the city and all rights the City may have in the walls are to be retained.

On motion of Councilman Daniel Hussey voted that Greenfield be awarded $60.00

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| Leon Stanton | 10.00 |
| David Graham | 10.00 |
| Ernest Lewis | 10.00 |
| Frank N. Willy | 10.00 |
| Chas W. Dame | 50.00 |
| James Jackson | 20.00 |
| Albert M Horne | 25.00 |
| Simon L. Horne | 10.00 |
| Rufus Woodward | 10.00 |
| James Burnham | 20.00 |

and all others one cent each

On motion of Councilman Turner voted the trees at Mr Dame's be not removed or damaged as they now exist.

Adjourned

Attest

Chas W. Brown

City Clerk.



1897 City of Rochester

January 4th 1898

Regular meeting of the City Council called to order by the Mayor

The following Councilmen responded to roll call.

Ward One Jogg Blaisdell and Hayes
Ward Two Ames Rollins and Geddis
Ward Three Seavey and Meader
Ward Four Jos D. Hussey 2nd Daniel Hussey
Ward Five Frank Bickford 2nd Turner
Ward Six Kimball Stanton 2nd Wallace

Reading of record dispensed with. The following reports were read and ordered to be placed on file.

Reports of the various Departments

City Solicitor, City Marshals Clerk of Police Court Supt of Water Works Com on water works and Overseer Poor.

Report in relation to resolution to Macadamize Eastern Ave

Report of Committee on Highways on resolution to macadamize the new road to East Rochester.

Your committee to whom was referred the above resolution have carefully considered the same and would recommend that the horses be kept to work hauling stone to the crusher during their spare time this winter, and ask of the incoming Council an appropriation suitable to re-surface the road bed from Kimball Street to East Rochester,

Jo. W. Bickford } Com on
S B Stanton } Highways

1897 on motion of Councilman Kimball voted the report of the committee be accepted and adopted.

Report of committee on Legal affairs on claim of L. E. Pasley, together with opinion of City Solicitor.

To the Committee on Legal affairs

Gentlemen

Opinion of Solicitor on Claim of E Pasley

Your request coming so late enables me only to state conclusions without reasons except to quote from the language of Chief Justice Ruley, in one of the leading cases bearing on the liability of towns. "Eastmon vs Meredith" The opinion in this case was rendered in 1858. And Judge Ruley says "we have heard of no earlier attempt in this state to maintain an action against a town for a private injury suffered by a citizen of the town from neglect of the town to provide him with safe and suitable means of exercising his public rights, and we are not informed of any case in which such an action has been maintained in any other State." The holding in this case briefly stated is, that towns are not liable to a civil action for neglect to perform public duties imposed on them, unless the action were given by some Statute. There being no Statute in this state giving a right of action in the case of Mr Pasley it seems to us



1897 there is no legal liability on the part of the City.

G. E. Cochrane

January 4th 1898. City Solicitor

As there is no legal liability and hence no claim for damage can be granted. We report adversely to said claim

S. D. Felker

F. E. Wallace

On motion of Councilman Fogg voted the report be accepted and adopted

Report on claim of J. F. Twombly

Report of committee on Legal affairs on claim of J. F. Twombly.

To the City Council

Your committee to whom was referred the claim of J. Frank Twombly for Seventy Seven Dollars on account of labor repairing street in front of his residence find that said expenditure was authorized by the Street Commissioner by reason of the grade being removed at different times in years past by agents of the town and City, and that by the removal of grade from the other places on the street, Mr Twombly has been damaged. Respectfully recommend that the amount of his claim $77.00 be paid in full consideration of all labor performed, and all damage incurred, and for the change of grade

1897 on the street, and in full settlement of all claims against the City in regard to the same.

Rochester N.Y. January 1st 1897

Samuel D Felker Mayor
N. J. Kimball | Legal
T. E. Wallace | Affairs.

On motion of Councilman Rollins voted the report be accepted and adopted.

Mayor Felker then delivered his valedictory address, following which Councilman Fogg introduced the following Resolution.

Resolution of Thanks to the Mayor

Whereas the retirement of our esteemed fellow citizen Hon Samuel D Felker from the office of mayor of the City of Rochester, presents a suitable opportunity of expressing the esteem in which we hold him as a faithful and courteous public servant therefor be it.

Resolved:

That the thanks of this Council and the community are due to Mayor Felker for the able and impartial manner in which he has uniformly performed his public duties:

Resolved:

That he carries with him on leaving the position he has so satisfactorily filled, the regard and good wishes of all



1897 who have had occasion to transact official business with him.

Resolved:

That his late associates in office regard his return to private life as a loss to them, while they sincerely hope that it will prove a gain to him; and trust his future will be as bright and prosperous as he can anticipate or desire.

On motion of Councilman Trask it was unanimously voted the resolution pass.

Presentation to mayor

City Solicitor Cochrane then in behalf of his late associates in office presented His Honor with a Gold watch and chain, to which The mayor made fitting response.

On motion of Councilman Kimball voted to adjourn to Wednesday morning January 6th at 9-45 A.M.

Attest

Chas W Brown
City Clerk

1898 City of Rochester

January 5-1898

Council met at 9-45 as per adjournment.

The following councilmen responded to roll call

Ward one Fogg Blaisdell and Hayes
Ward Two Ames
Ward Three Seavey and Meader
Ward Four Daniel Hussey
Ward Five Trask and Turner
Ward Six Kimball Scruton and Wallace

On motion of Councilman Scruton voted all unfinished business be referred to the next Council.

Adjourned

Attest

Chas W. Brown
City Clerk



1898 City of Rochester

January 5-1898

Called to order by the retiring Mayor Hon S.D. Felker

Roll of the members holding over called, and responded to as follows

Ward one Blaisdell and Hayes
Ward Two —
Ward Three Meader
Ward Four J.D. Hussey and Daniel Hussey
Ward Five Bickford and Turner
Ward Six Scruton and Wallace.

Inauguration Exercises

Report of committee on elections read declaring William G. Bradley elected Mayor.

Mr Bradley was present and took the oath of office and assumed the mayoralty Chair.

The returns of the Several ward Clerks with the exception of ward Six was read showing the following to be elected from the Several wards.

Ward one John D Fogg
Ward Two David McAmes
Ward Three Chas H Seavey
Ward Four Isadore Marcotte
Ward Five Chas F Trask

The above named were present took the oath of office as prescribed by law. Prayer was then

1898 offered by Rev John Wanless. following which the mayor read his inaugural address.

Election of Officers

The council then proceeded to the election of officers.

On motion of councilman Turner voted. Councilman Blaisdell cast one vote for Chas W. Brown for City Clerk and it was so voted. City Solicitor Cochrane then administered the oath to the Clerk.

On motion of councilman J D Hussey voted councilman Blaisdell cast one vote for for John L Lapp for City treasurer and the vote was so deposited.

On motion of councilman Turner voted councilman Fogg cast one vote for Chas W Sleeper for Street Commissioner and it so voted.

On motion of councilman Turner voted councilman J D Hussey cast one vote for Roman B Warren for marshall and it was so voted.

On motion of councilman Trask voted councilman J D Hussey cast one vote for Leander P Pickering for Superintendent of Water Works and Sewers, and so voted.

On motion of councilman Seavey voted councilman J D. Hussey cast one vote for Edgar W Cate for assistant marshall and it was so deposited.

On motion of councilman



1898 marsall voted councilman J. D Hussey cast one vote for Ferdinand Sylvain for night watch, and it was so deposited.

On motion of councilman J. D. Hussey voted councilman Bickford cast one vote for J B Stevens for Tax Collector. and so voted.

On motion of councilman Turner voted councilman Blaisdell cast one vote for Geo H Cochrane for City Solicitor and it was so voted.

On motion of councilman Turner voted councilman Scruton cast one vote for S W. Goodwin for Sanitary officer and member of the Board of Health and it deposited accordingly.

On motion of councilman Fogg voted councilman J. D. Hussey cast one vote for S. F Shorey for assessor of taxes and it was so voted,

On motion of councilman Ames voted councilman Hussey cast one vote for Stephen C Meader for Trustee of Public Library in ward three and it was so deposited

On motion of councilman Trask voted councilman J. D Hussey cast one vote for John Young for Trustee of Public Library in ward four and it was so voted.

1898 On motion of councilman Trask voted Councilman J. D Hussey cast one vote for John W Thompson for chief engineer of Fire Dept. and it was so voted.

On motion of councilman J. D. Hussey voted councilman Blaisdell cast one vote for Geo H Webster as 1st asst Engineer and it was deposited accordingly.

On motion of councilman Scruton it was voted councilman J. D. Hussey cast one vote for Thos. L. Osgood for 2nd asst Engineer of Fire Dept. and it was so voted,

On motion of councilman Hayes voted councilman Fogg cast one vote for Chas W Chisholm for 3 asst Engineer of Fire Dept. and it was so voted.

On motion of councilman Meader voted. councilman J D Hussey cast one vote for Louis M Richardson for 4th asst engineer of Fire Dept and it was so deposited

On motion of councilman Fogg voted councilman Scruton cast one ballott each for Thos H Gates and Charles H. Prescott for Police officers at East Rochester and it was so voted.

On motion of councilman Seavey it was voted J D Hussey cast one vote Winslow L Pugsley. for Police officer at Gonic and it was so voted.



1898 The mayor then appointed the following committees.

Committees Appointed

Finance

mayor. Councilmen Trask and Albert Wallace

Shade Trees Parks and Commons

mayor. Councilmen Rollins and Marcott.

Public Instruction

mayor. Councilmen J. B Wallace and Hayes

Claims and Accounts

Councilmen Trask. Scruton and Ames

Public Buildings

Councilmen Blaisdell. J. D. Hussey and Babb

Roads Bridges and Drains.

Councilmen Albert Wallace Scruton and Seavey

Sewerage and Water Works.

Councilmen Trask Meader and Hayes.

Fire Dept.

Councilmen Bickford. Blaisdell and J. D Hussey

Street Lights

Councilman Fogg. J. D. Hussey and Babb

Printing

Councilmen Turner Rollins and Daniel Hussey

Adams and Old Cemetery Funds.

Councilmen Ames Turner and Geddis.

Elections and Returns.

Councilmen Meader J. B Wallace and Geddis

Bills in their Second Reading

and Enrolled Ordinances

Councilmen Scruton Fogg and Seavey

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## Legal affairs.

Mayor Councilman Hayes and Turner

## Purchasing Committee

Mayor Councilmen Meader and Albert Wallace

## Police

Mayor Councilmen Tarbox and Meader.

The mayor then appointed the following Special Police officers Special Police Appointed

Francis Armstrong. Henry C. Walker James Connell Moses B Stevens Frank H Pettigrew Fred B Wentworth William A Hanscom Nahum Woodman John H Lord Frank S. Edgerly, Patrick Keating, James Brennan John F Quinlan John Lowe Frank A. Blackman Rodney B. Cross. Lyville Vachon

On motion of Councilman J. D. Hussey voted the appointments be confirmed.

Appointment of janitor

Wm A Hanscom appointed janitor by the mayor.

Petition of Simon S Horne and others. for increase of award of damages read and referred to committee on Legal affairs also petition of Ernest A Cross. for same purpose referred to same committee.

Petetion of Simon Horne & others

On motion of Councilman Turner voted the unfinished business of last year be Taken up and considered by this council.

Unfinished business refused

On motion of Councilman J. D Hussey voted that when we adjourn we adjourn to Tuesday



1898 January 18.

On motion of Councilman Ames voted to adjourn.

Attest

Chas W. Brown

City Clerk

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City of Rochester

January 18-1898.

Adjourned Meeting of the City met agreeably to adjournment Mayor Bradley in the chair. Councilman elect Albert Wallace of ward six appeared and took the oath of office as required by law.

The Roll then called responded to as follows.

Ward one Blaisdell. Hayes and Fogg
Ward Two Rollins Geddis and Ames.
Ward Three Meader and Seavey.
Ward Four Daniel Hussey.
Ward Five Turner and Trask
Ward Six Sexton T. E. Wallace and Albert Wallace

J. D. Hussey and Marcott of ward four and Bickford of ward five joined the Council before the transaction of business.

Petition of Frank Hodgdon for permit to move building from his farm to Hancock street, read and on motion of Councilman Rollins voted the petition be granted. and that he be allowed two weeks to move the building.

Petition of F. E. Hodgdon

The finance committee made the following report.

To the Council of the City of Rochester.

The committee on Finance have considered carefully the amount of appropria-



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tion necessary to be made for the support of the various departments for the ensuing year. and recommend the following.

Report of Finance Committee on Annual appropriation

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| For Hydrants | 2.500 |
| " Fire Dept | 2.400 |
| " Sidewalks | 2.000 |
| " Salaries | 4.500 |
| " Highways | 10.000 |
| " Miscellaneous | 2.400 |
| " Police Dept | 1.000 |
| " Sampson Post | 150 |
| " E. Rochester Library and Reading Room | 100. |
| " Street Lights | 6.231. |
| " City Poor & Soldiers Aid | 1.200 |
| " Free Public Library & Reading Room | 1,200 |
| " County Tax | 12,866.45 |
| " E. Rochester School House | 2,000. |
| " Bonds Series 3 | 6,500 |
| " Interest on Sewer Bonds | 4.095 |
| " School Books & Supplies | 1.000 |
| " Schools together with amount from Literary Fund & Dog Licenses | 18.000 |
| Total | 78.142.45 |

W. G. Bradley
E. T. Trask
Albert Wallace
} committee on Finance

On motion of councilman Rollins voted the report be accepted.

Petition of Ellen Bunker and others for the re-opening of the

1898 old County road from the four rod road to Farmington line by land of Allen Bunker Geo A. Bickford and Eli Meader was read, and on motion of Councilman Trask voted the petition be granted.

Old County road to be opened

The following resolution of appropriation introduced by Councilman Trask.

Resolution of Appropriation

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Rochester.

That for the Support of the various departments of the city for the ensuing year, the Sum of Seventy Eight Thousand One hundred and forty two Dollars and forty Five cents be raised by taxation, and that the balance coming from the State after paying the State tax be used to pay the interest on notes, and for such other purpose as the Council may direct.

On motion of Councilman Meader voted the rules be Suspended that the resolution may pass.

On the passage of the resolution the yeas and nays called resulting as follows.

Yea. Councilmen Blaisdell Hayes Foss Rollins Gradis Ames. Meader Storey J. D Hussey Daniel Hussey Bickford. Turner Trask. Scruton H. L Wallace and A Wallace.

Amendment Chapt XXVI Gen Ordinances

Councilman Trask proposed an amendment to Chapter XXVI of the General Ordinances.



1898 referred to committee on bills in their Second reading.

Amendment to Chapter XX Gen Ordinances

Councilman Meader offered an amendment to chapter XX of the General Ordinances.

Referred to committee on Bills in Second Reading.

Resolution for printing of City Report

By Councilman Rollins Resolution for printing the City Report

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Rochester

That the City Clerk is hereby authorized and instructed to prepare for the press as soon as possible the report of the various departments, and such other matter as the committee on printing may deem advisable. The printing of the report to be subjected to bids.

On motion of Councilman Rollins voted the rules be Suspended and the resolution pass.

Appointment of various officers

The mayor made the following appointments

Weighers of Hay Straw & Coal

Chas A. Ricker. Nahum Yeaton. John C Colley John W. Tibbetts. Silas H. Dame Rodney C. Cross. John McDonald Daniel F. Jennes John G. Morrill - Purton R Trances Alonzo L. Hoyt.

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Scales of weights & measures
Chas M Bailey.

Surveyors of wood & Lumber.
Geo. M Ames. Nahum T. Woodman. Frank B. Preston. Sidney B. Hayes. Nahum Yeaton Geo Lees. Edmund Elliott. W. P. Ames.

Fence Viewers
Ezra Standley. Isaiah N Wilkinson

Fish & Game. Wardens,
Cornelius Daley Fred H Crocker E. L. Tebbetts.

Special Police Appointed

The following additional special Police were appointed.
For East Rochester Horace Mills. and Benjamin H. Hill,
For Dry Hill John Jennes
John H. Pingree for the Cemetery.

On motion of Councilman Trask voted the appointments be confirmed

School House at Gonic to be insured

Councilman Blaisdell brought up the matter of Insurance on the new School House at Gonic.
Moved by councilman Rollins the matter be left in the hands of the committee on Public Buildings. to be divided equally between the two Insurance agencies. Recess declared, and after coming to order, on the motion of Council man Rollins it was voted in the affirmative.
On motion of Council man Meader voted to adjourn

Attest
Chas W. Brown city Clerk



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City of Rochester

February 1 1898

Regular meeting of the city council called to order by the mayor.
The following councilmen responded to roll call.
Ward Two Rollins Geddis and Ames
Ward Four Marcott,
Ward Six Albert Wallace
No quorum being present the council was adjourned

Attest
Chas W Brown
City Clerk

1898

City of Rochester

March 1st 1898

Regular meting of the City council called to order by the mayor.

The following councilmen were present and responded to roll call.

Ward one Bleidell.
Ward Two Rollins and Ames.
Ward Three Meader.
Ward Four J. D. Hussey, Daniel Hussey & Marcott
Ward Five Turner and Trask.
Ward Six Scruton, Wallace and Albert Wallace.

Record of previous metings read and approved.

Report on Petition of Simon Horn

Report of committee on Legal affairs on petition of Simon L. Horne and others for increase of land damage.

The committee on Legal affairs to whom the above petition was referred, have considered the same and beg leave to submit the following report.

Additional damage Main road

Your committee would recommend that the sum of ten dollars be awarded to James A Jackson for land damage and expense of moving shed. and that the same amount be awarded B. R. Young in full for land damage, we would also recommend that the additional sum of ten dollars be awarded David Graham and an additional sum of Ten dollars be



1898 awarded to Ernest Cross.

In regard to the award made to Chas W. Dame the committee are satisfied that his wall has been moved out from the original line, and inasmuch as the whole amount taken including what the city owned before the lay out is only about 1/6 of an acre, and as he is given according to the plan of the engineer about 1/4 of an acre and as the wall, whenever moved, is to be done at the citys expense, and the trees not to be removed during their natural life, we are of the opinion that the award of Fifty dollars is ample compensation for the damage sustained.

The amount awarded to the other land owners we consider reasonable and fair.

W. J. Bradley, Committee
Wm C. Turner, on Legal Affairs

On motion of Albert Wallace voted the report be accepted.

On motion of Councilman Ames voted the recommendations of the Committee be adopted.

Bond of Marshal and Asst

The Bonds of marshal and asst marshal presented and referred to a Special Committee.

By Councilman Trask.

Resolution in relation to vault.

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Rochester.

1898 That the Mayor appoint a committee of three to see what arrangements can be made for a suitable vault for the storage of the books and papers belonging to the City, the expense of the same and report at the next regular meeting of the City Council.

Vault Committee to report

On motion of Councilman Rollins voted the resolution pass.

The Mayor appointed the following Councilmen to serve as the above committee. Trask Turner and F.b Wallace

Additional Appointments

The mayor appointed J. C. Willey, A. D. Hoyt and Pardon R Broncis. Surveyors of wood and Lumber.

Special Police Benjamin Gingras. Wm. H. Brock

Special R. R. Police. Frank Cleaves

Stephen S. Connors. F. S. Twombly

Edward B Brann. Fred M Crockett

J. G. Bailey.

R R Police

Voted the above appointments be confirmed.

The committee to whom the bonds of the Marshals and asst were referred, reported the bonds as sufficient and on motion of J. D. Hussey voted the bonds be accepted.

By Councilman Meader

Resolved by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Rochester

That the sum of fifteen hundred



1898 dollars be raised by note or notes of said City for the purpose of finishing the two school rooms additional not contemplated in the original plan, and that said sum shall constitute a portion of the city debt.

Resolution Gore'e School House

On motion of Councilman Turner voted the Rules be suspended that the resolution may pass.

On the passage of the resolution the Yeas and Nays called, resulting as follows. Yea Councilmen Blaisdell. Rollins Ames Meader. J. D. Hussey. Daniel Hussey Marcott Turner. Trask. Scruton. F.b Wallace and Albert Wallace. 12, Nay 0.

The necessary two thirds voting in the affirmative the resolution passed.

Marshal's report for January and February read and ordered placed on file.

On motion of Councilman J. D. Hussey voted the petition for Sidewalk on Maple street be taken from the table and considered at the next meeting.

On motion of Councilman J. D Hussey voted to adjourn.

Attest

Chas W. Brown

City Clerk

1898 City of Rochester

April 5 1898

Regular meeting of the city Council called to order by the Mayor.

Record of previous meeting read and approved.

The following councilmen were present and responded to roll call.
Ward one. Hayes.
Ward Two Rollins and Ames
Ward Three Seavey.
Ward Four Marcott.
Ward Five Bickford Turner and Trask
Ward Six Scruton, F. B. Wallace and A. Wallace.

Petition of C. B. Woodward and others for sidewalk on Woodman street read, and on motion of Councilman Rollins voted to leave to Committee on Roads Bridges and Drains to use their judgement. — Petition of C. B. Woodward and others

Petition of Henry K. Roberts and others for a watering trough at Strafford square. read and referred to committee on Roads Bridges Drains. — Petition for Water trough

Petition of N. E. Telphone and Telegraph Co to have the location of the pole on Railroad avenue near the residence of Silas Hussey confirmed and the damages assessed. — Petition of N. E. Tel & Te

On motion of councilman Ames voted the petition be referred to committee



1898 on Roads Bridges and Drains.

Petition of O. A Hoyt and others for a Fire Station. read and referred to committee on Fire Department — Petition for Station Fire

Special committee appointed to consider cost and location of vault made the following report, — Report of Committee on vault

Rochester N. H. April 5 1898

To The Mayor and city council city of Rochester.

Gentlemen:

The committee to whom was referred the question of finding the cost and location of a suitable vault for the safe keeping of the city papers. Records &c beg leave to offer the following report. The cost of a brick vault. six feet square inside double iron doors, arched roof. two eight inch walls with a 4" air space between would be about Two hundred dollars. and would recommend that the sum of Two Hundred dollars be appropriated for that purpose. The vault to be situated at or near the present city building, as the committee may deem best.

O. F. Trask
F. B. Wallace
Wm O. Turner

On motion of councilman Ames voted the report be accepted

1898 On motion of Councilman Ames voted the Sum of Two Hundred be appropriated from the miscellaneous department for this purpose. Voted the same committee construct the vault.

Report of committee on Bills in their Second Reading, on Amendment to Chapter 20 of the General Ordinances.

Amendment of Chap XX Gen Ordinances

The committee on Bills in their Second Reading report the above amendment in proper form

S. B. Scruton
C H Seavey
Committee on Bills in their Second Reading

Voted the amendment be adopted.

Amendment Chap XXVI Gen Ordinances

By the same committee on Amendment to Chapter XXVI of the General Ordinances in relation to Inspector of Plumbing.

The committee on Bills in their Second Reading report the above amendment in proper form.

S. B. Scruton
C H. Seavey
Committee on Bills in their Second Reading

The amendment was not adopted.

Report of committee of School Board.

To the mayor and city council of the city of Rochester.



1898 At a meeting of the School Board held Saturday April 2nd 1898. the following report of a special committee appointed to locate a lot for a new School Building was accepted and the recommendations adopted, and the committee was authorized to bring the matter before the council in proper form in behalf of the School board.

Report of Committee School Board

Report.

Your special committee to investigate locations for a new school building, respectfully submit the following report and recommendations.

Having made a careful examination of the different possible locations reasonably central in Rochester Village, we find but three that recommend themselves to us. Viz: The Whitehouse lot on Wakefield street, the combined Sweet and Dennett lots on Main street, and the Joanna S. Hurd lot on Congress street adjoining the present High School ground.

The two former would make fine locations for an imposing structure the value of the lots and suitable buildings in our opinion would call for an appropriation of from forty to fifty dollars while your committee would be pleased with the location of

1895 Such a building, they do not think the sentiment of our citizens and tax payers under the present financial condition of the city, would warrant us in recommending so large an expenditure at this time, with this problem of expense to deal with, and considering the condition of our present High School building which is very defective in heat, ventillation and sanitary conditions.

We recommend the taking of the Joanna S Hurd lot, comprising about one acre adjoining the present High School lot comprising about one acre adjoining the present High School lot, and running through to Congress street on the same front line bounded northerly by Congress Street and the Hale Intervale and Southerly by the Hale Intervale, reserving to Miss Hurd all the buildings thereon to be removed by her.

We also recommend this Board ask the City council to sell the Main and Pound street property, the proceeds, with an additional appropriation of the difference between the award to be made for the lot and the sum of twenty five thousand dollars to be used for the erection of an eight room School building to be located and erected by a joint committee of the council and School Board



1898 as prescribed by law.

W. G. Bradley
W H Walbridge (Special
Frank R. Hayes (Committee
N J. Kimball

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Secy School Board

Voted the report be laid on the table. (Petition of School Board) 258

On motion of Councilman Turner voted a committee of three be appointed to confer with the School Board. The Mayor appointed Councilmen Turner Scrutton and Ames as that committee

Committee to confer with School Board

By Councilman Hayes

Resolved.

Resolution to grade School yard E. Rochester

That the sum of twenty five dollars be appropriated to complete the job already begun on the School house grounds at East Rochester.

On motion of Councilman Hayes voted the Rules be suspended and the resolution pass.

By Councilman Rollins

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Rochester.

Street to be named

That the Committee on Roads Bridges & Drains are hereby instructed to report to the council at their next meeting names for all street and courts not

1898 already named, the same to be confirmed by the Council. No street to be named after any individual, unless it be some one who has a State or national reputation.

On motion of Councilman Rollins voted the Rules be suspended and the resolution pass.

By Councilman Scrutton

Resolution appropriating money for construction of Surface Sewer. Resolution for Surface Sewer

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Rochester.

That the sum of Four Thousand dollars, be raised on note or notes of the City for the purpose of constructing Surface Sewer on Leonard Street and Main Street through Congress.

The said Sum of Four thousand dollars to constitute a portion of the City debt.

Referred to Committee on Bills in their second Reading.

By Councilman Seavey

Resolved by the City council of the City of Rochester.

That the Free Baptist Church in the Village of Gonic be granted permission to dig up so much of Church Street as may be necessary in order to put in a drain to take the water from the basement of the Church, they to see that the street is placed in

To drain Baptist Church Gonic



1898 as good condition as it now is.

On motion of Councilman Seavey voted the Rules be suspended and the resolution pass.

Report of City Marshal for March read and ordered to be placed on file.

On motion of Councilman Rollins voted to adjourn.

Attest

Chas W. Brown

City Clerk

(Petition of School Board)

To the City Council of the City of Rochester.

Petition of School Board to condemn lot

We the undersigned a committee of the School Board authorized to act for the Board in the matter of taking the Joanna S Hurd lot for a School building being unable to get a reasonable price from Miss Hurd for the lot, hereby petition your honorable body to condemn the same or take such other action as your body think proper to secure the said lot for School purposes.

W. G. Bradley

N. T. Kimball

W. H. Walbridge

Referred to City Solicitor and Committee on Legal affairs.

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Rochester April 7-1898

To Chas W. Brown Esq
City Clerk

Please call a meeting of the City Council Wednesday evening April 13-1898. at 7-30 o'clock. to consider the petition of the N. E. Telephone and Telegraph Co.

W. G. Bradley
Mayor.

Agreeably to the above order a notice was sent to each member of the council. stating time and object of the meeting.

Chas W. Brown
City Clerk



1898

City of Rochester

April 13-1898.

Special meeting of the City Council met agreeably to notice.

The following councilmen responded as their names were called.

Ward one Hayes and Fogg
Ward Two Rollins Geddes and Ames
Ward Three Meader and Seavey
Ward Four Marcott.
Ward Five Turner
Ward Six Scruton and Albert Wallace

The committee on Roads Bridges & Drains made the following report on petition of New England Telephone & Telegraph Co.

Report on Petition of N.E. Telephone Company

On the above petition the committee on Roads Bridges & Drains would report that a hearing be granted the petitioners, and would recommend May 3-at-7-30 o'clock P M at the council room be selected as the time and place for said hearing, and that all parties interested be notified.

Albert Wallace } Committee
S. B Scruton } on Roads
C. H Seavey } Bridges & Drains

On motion of Councilman Rollins voted the report of the committee be accepted and recommendations adopted

1898 and the hearing appointed for may 3rd at 7.30 o'clock P.M.

On motion of Albert Wallace voted to adjourn.

Attest.

Chas W. Brown

City Clerk



1898 City of Rochester

May 3 1898

Regular meeting of the city council, call to order by the Mayor

The following councilmen were present and responded to roll call.

Ward One Hayes and Fogg.

Ward Two Rollins Geddis and Ames.

Ward Three Meader Babb and Seavey.

Ward Four J.D. Hussey and Marcott.

Ward Five Turner.

Ward Six Scruton and Wallace.

Councilmen Bickford and F.E. Wallace joined the council before the close of business.

Record of previous meetings read and approved.

Petition for Sewerage in E. Roch

Petition of S. I. Sinclair and others for additional sewerage in East Rochester. read and referred to Committee on Sewerage.

Petition for Sidewalk Myrtle St

Petition of Feniman Brothers and others for concrete or brick sidewalk on north side of Myrtle Street. Referred to Committee on Roads Bridges and Drains.

To change name of Tibbetts Ave

Petition of Auxille Beaudoin and others to have name of Tibbetts Ave changed to Lafayette street.

Referred to Committee on Roads Bridges and Drains.

1898 The committee on Roads Bridges and Drains ask for further time to consider names of streets. which was granted.

The committee on Fire department ask for further time to report on petition for Fire Station which was granted.

The committee on Legal affairs and City Solicitor made the following report on petition of committee of School Board.

To the Mayor and Council of the City of Rochester.

Report on Communications from School Board

Your committee to whom was referred the communication from the School Board acting through its special committee in the matter of obtaining the Hurd lot so called for School purposes. decline to make any recommendation as to the question of Appropriation for the lot selected by the school board. has not been acted on by the Council.

Chapter 65 of the Laws of 1897 provides that "The school board of cities shall have sole power to select and purchase land for school house lots, when said board has secured by vote of the City council an adequate appropriation for the purchase of a specified lot at a specified price, then said board may make the purchase"

Your committee doubt the right of the City through its council to condemn this or any other selected



1898 School house lot until the law of 1897 has been fully complied with, that is, until an appropriation adequate as they believe, has been made, and the School board. subsequent to such appropriation has failed in its efforts to purchase the same.

The power to take private property, for public uses, has in the matter of school house lots only been exercised as a last resort. Section 12 Chapter XIII of the Public Statutes in the matter of Village districts provides, is any such district cannot obtain for a reasonable price any land or easement in land required for its purposes it may, upon proper petition and proceeding, take such land or easement under the so call right of eminent domain.

In view of the foregoing statement of the law your committee cannot recommend proceedings to condemn the Hurd lot at this time, and as to the remainder of the petition, asking such other action as may seem proper to secure said lot we have already suggested as the first step an adequate appropriation.

All other questions, such as the advisability of an appropriation. or its amount if made, we regard as addressed to the whole Council, and respectfully submit our report without attempting either to influence or anticipate its action.

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W. G. Bradley
Sidney B. Hayes
Wm C. Turner
Geo C. Cochrane.

On motion of councilman Albert Wallace voted the report be accepted.

Drinking Fountain Stafford Square

Repoat of committee on Roads Bridges and Drains on Petition for water Trough on Stafford Square.

The committee on Roads Bridges and Drains to whom the above petition was referred, have attended to their duty and recommend that the purchasing committee purchase a suitable water trough to be located on Stafford square in the City of Rochester for the convenience of the public

Albert Wallace
S B. Scruton
Charles H. Seavey
} Committee on Roads Bridges and Drains

On motion of Councilman Fogg voted the repat be accepted and the recommendations adopted.

On motion of Councilman Ames voted the sum of $150 or such part as may be needed to put in a Water Trough on Stafford Square, be taken from the miscellaneous department.

Report of committee on Bills in their Second Reading on



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Resolution Surface Sewers

Resolution appropriating money for construction of Surface Sewers.

The committee on Bills in their Second Reading to whom was referred the above resolution report the same as in proper form and recommend its passage

John D Fogg
S B. Scruton
C H Seavey
} Committee on Bills in their Second Reading

The question of the passage of the resolution now before the council. The yeas and nays called resulting as follows.

Yea. Councilmen Hayes. Fogg. Rollins Sykes. Ames. Meader. Babb. Seavey J. D Hussey. Marcott. Turner, Scruton and Albert Wallace 13.

no one voting nay the resolution passed.

Invitation to attend Memorial Exercises

The following communication from Sampson Post was read.

Rochester N H May 21 1898

To his Honor the Mayor and the Honorable Council of the City of Rochester.

You are invited to attend the exercises on Memorial Day May 30 inst.

By Command of J. H Nutter
Commander Post 22 G. A. R.
Charles L Pike.
Adjutant

1898 On motion of Councilman Hayes voted the invitation be accepted.

By Councilman Fogg

Resolved by the mayor and City Council of the City of Rochester.

That the sum of one hundred dollars be taken from the miscellaneous department and paid to the East Rochester Free Library for the support and maintenance of said Library.

Additional Appropriation to E. Rochester Library

On motion of Councilman Fogg voted the Rules be suspended and the resolution pass.

Bond of Tax Collector presented and referred to Finance Committee

Amendment to Chapt XI Gen Ord.

Councilman Hayes offered an amendment to Chapter XI of the Gen Ordinances in relation to laying out new highways. Refered to committee on Bills in their Second Reading.

Report on petition of Chas Woodward and others, for sidewalk.

Sidewalk for Myrtle and Woodman Street

The committee on Highway to whom was refered the petition to construct Sidewalk on Myrtle and Woodman streets, recommend the construction of as much of the sidewalk as the petition calls for, that the City furnish suitable hammered edgestone and set the same providing the owners of the property abutting on the street



1898 along which said sidewalk is to be constructed cover the same with concrete or brick.

Voted the report be accepted and the recommendations adopted.

By Councilman Fogg

Ex mayor Seeker invited to present his Portrait

Resolved by the City council of the City of Rochester.

That the City clerk is hereby directed to confer with Ex mayor Seeker and invite him to present his portrait to be hung in the Council room

Voted the rules be suspended and the resolution pass.

By Councilman Hayes

Resolutions of Thanks to Ex mayor Sweet

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Rochester.

That the thanks of the City Council are hereby extended to Ex-mayor Robert V. Sweet for the excellent portrait of himself now hanging in the Council room presented to the city of Rochester

Voted the rules be suspended and the resolution pass.

By Councilman Rollins

Police Vacation

Resolution for Police vacations.

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Rochester.

That the City Marshal Assistant Marshal and night Watchman are hereby granted a vacations of one

1898 week each, under pay. The time of said Vacation to be determined by the Mayor and City Marshal.

On motion of councilman Albert Wallace voted to refer to committee on Police.

Hearing on petition of New England Telephone & Telegraph Co. being in order. the Company being represented by John Rivel Esq and Leslie P. Snow Esq appeared for Silas Hussey. Mr Hussey was also present, and protested against the Pole remaining in its present position. After listening to the parties interested, a recess of ten minutes declared to consider the matter. after coming to order, on motion of Councilman Meader voted the hearing be continued to the next regular meeting June 1st.

Hearing on petition of N.E.T. & T. Tel. Co

On motion of Councilman Turner voted the report of the School Board be taken from the table.

On motion of Councilman Turner voted that while this Council concurs with the School board in regard to the necessity of better School accommodations, it deems the location of lot for school purposes recommended by them at our last regular meeting to be injudicious to purchase by the City, and respectfully return said report together with the recommendations to the School

Report of Council in action of School Board



1898 Board for their further consideration.

The Mayor appointed Mr H. Griffin Game warden Fish and Game Warden.

Game warden appointed

No other business coming before the Council. voted to adjourn.

Attest Chas W. Brown
City Clerk

1898 City of Rochester

June 7 1898

Regular meeting of the Council
Mayor Bradley in the Chair
Roll of Council called
responded to as follows.
Ward one Blaisdell. Hayes
Ward Two Rollins. Geddis and Ames
Ward Three Meader Babb and Seavey
Ward Four Daniel Hussey and Marcoll
Ward Five Turner and Trask
Ward Six Scruton. F.E. Wallace Albert Wallace.

Topp of ward one J. D. Hussey of ward four and Bickford of ward five joined the Council before the transaction of business.

Record of previous meeting read and approved.

Petition of United Gas and Electric Co for permit to erect poles on Highway leading from Dover road to Boston & Maine Northern division depot in Gonic.

Petition of U.S.G.E. Co to locate Poles

On motion of Councilman Rollins voted to refer to committee on Roads. Bridges & Drains with power to act.

On motion of Councilman Turner voted to reconsider the above last mentioned action of the Council.

On motion of Councilman



1898 Bickford voted to refer to committee on Street Lights, they to report to the Council.

Report of Committee on Fire Dept.

Report on petition of O. A. Hoyt and others

The Committee on Fire Dept to whom was referred the petition of O. A. Hoyt and others with reference to the building a Central Fire Station on the City lot have considered the subject and report as follows.

That in the immediate future there is need of a Central Fire Station. * Before said Fire Station is built, a plan of the City lot should be made with reference to the future needs of the City, including a new City Hall, Public Library, Central Fire and Police Station, and the same should be approved by the City Council. Until such time as the City shall be able to improve the whole lot and not increase the Tax rate, we think it advisable not to build.

C.W. Bickford
Marvin T. Blaisdell } Committee on Fire
Jay D. Hussey } Dept

On motion of Councilman Seavey voted the report be accepted and adopted.

Report of Sewerage Committee on Petition of S. T. Sinclair & others for Sewerage in Ward One.

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On the above petition the Committee on Sewerage have looked over the route of the Sewer petitioned for and find there is no Sewerage on that portion of the streets for which it is asked, and that it would be for the benifit of residents on the Streets named in said petition to have a System of Sewerage put in. If the Council after carefully considering our present financial condition, feel justified in making the necessary appropriation, your Committe would recommend it be done

Rochester N.H. June 7-1898

C.T. Trask
S.C. Meader
Sidney B. Hayes
Com on Sewerage

On motion of Councilman Ames voted the report be accepted.

On motion of Councilman Hayes voted the request of the petitioners be granted and the Sewer put in.

Report of Committee on Police on Resolution for Police vacations

On the above resolution the Committee on Police to whom the petition was referred, would recommend that the resolution pass

W. G. Bradley
C.T. Trask
S.C. Meader
Committee on Police

Report on petition S.J. Sinclair and others

Police Vacation Report on



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On motion of Councilman Rollins voted the resolution pass.

Report of Highway Committee on names of streets.

The Committee on Highway who were authorized by the City Council to report names to such streets as have not been named would recommend the following. The street leading past the house of J.T. Twombly to be called Twombly Street The Street leading from ~~Hancock~~ and parallel with Church to be called Bryan Street.

And the short street from Church to Bryan to be called Flannegan Street. The new street laid out to Cocheco river parallel to Park St to be called Dewey St.

Albert Wallace
S.B. Scruton
Chas H. Seavey
Committee on Highways

On motion of Councilman Ames voted the report be accepted and streets named as recommended.

Councilman Albert Wallace made a verbal report on petition to Change name of Tebbetts Ave recommending a hearing be given to the parties interested at the next regular meeting of the Council and the report was accepted and

Names of Streets reported

Tebbetts Ave hearing

1898 adopted,

The matter of location of Telephone pole on Railroad Avenue referred to the next meeting of the Council.

Resolution for Sewer in E. Rochester

By Councilman Hayes.

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Rochester.

That for the purpose of putting in the sewer on main, Green and School streets in ward one according to the petition of Silas T. Sinclair and others there be raised on note or notes of the City, a sum not exceeding sixteen hundred dollars, and that the same constitute a portion of the City debt.

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Referred to Committee on Bills in their Second reading.

Claim of T. J. Decatur

Claim of T. J. Decatur for damages on account of being deprived of use of Sewer, read and referred to Committee on Sewerage.

By Councilman Seavey.

Resolution to close Liquor Shops

Whereas by the records of the Internal Revenue Collector there are some thirty five or forty persons engaged in the illegal sale of intoxicating liquors, and whereas said places are open at all times of night, Sundays and holidays. Be it resolved that the Mayor and



1898 City Marshal be instructed to have the same closed and that all ordinances and laws be enforced.

On motion of Councilman Seavey voted the Rules be suspended and the resolution pass. The yeas and nays being called for the result was as follows. Yea. Councilmen Blaisdell. Hayes Fogg. Rollins. Geadis. Ames. Meader. Babb. Seavey J. D. Hussey. Daniel Hussey. Marcott. Bickford Turner Trask. Scruton F. & Wallace and Albert Wallace. 18

Petition for Extension Ladder

Petition of Hook & Ladder Co for a new extension ladder, read and on motion of Councilman Turner voted the petition be granted.

By Councilman Trask

Resolution to raise money in anticipation of taxes.

Resolution to raise money in anticipation of taxes

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Rochester.

That the Financial Committee be authorized to raise on note or notes of the City a sum of money not exceeding ten thousand dollars in anticipation of taxes, providing it is necessary so to do.

On motion of Councilman Hayes voted the rules be suspended that the resolution may pass.

On the passage of the

1898 Resolution the Yeas and Nayes called resulting as follows.
Yeas Blaisdell, Hayes, Fogg, Rollins, Seaver, Ames, Meader, Babb, Seavey, J. D Hussey, Daniel Hussey, Jordan, Marcott, Bickford, Turner, Trask, Scruton, F E. Wallace and Albert Wallace-18. and the resolution passed.

By Councilman Seavey.

Regulating price of Sand

Resolution establishing price of Sand.

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Rochester.

That for all sand that is taken from the sand pits owned by the City, by private individuals, the following price shall be paid to the City.

For each two horse load 15 cents
" " One " " 10 Cents.

On motion of Councilman Seavey voted the rules be suspended and the resolution pass.

Communication from School Board

Marshal's report for May read and ordered placed on file

Communication from the School Board recommending the City Council appropriate a sum sufficient for the erection of an eight room school, and provide a suitable lot for the same.

Referred to Committee on Public Instruction.



Resignation of C. B Warren

1898 Resignation of O. B Warren City Marshal read, and on motion of Councilman Hayes voted the resignation be accepted.

Election of Marshal

On motion of Councilman Albert Wallace voted to proceed to ballot for marshal.

On motion of J. D Hussey voted a recess of ten minutes. after which on motion of Albert Wallace voted J. D. Hussey be authorized to cast one vote for Chas. A. Allen for marshal for the remainder of the year.

The mayor reported a flag pole had been erected on the City building at a cost of $24.38

Bill for Flag Pole to be paid

On motion of Councilman Fogg voted the bill be paid from the miscellaneous department.

On motion of Councilman Hayes voted to adjourn

Attest

Chas H. Brown
City Clerk

1898 City of Rochester

July 5–1898

Regular meeting of the City Council. mayor Bradley in the chair.

Roll of council called responded to as follows

Ward one Blaisdell and Hayes
Ward two Geddis and Ames
Ward three Meader Babb and Seavey
Ward four Marcott
Ward five Turner and Trask
Ward Six Albert Wallace

Record of last meeting read and approved.

Petition of D. Hanson and others

Petition of Dominicus Hanson and others to widen and straighten Wakefield street read and on motion of Councilman Albert Wallace voted a hearing be granted August 2nd at three o'clock P M.

Report on Myrtle St Sidewalk

Committee on Roads Bridges and Drains reported on Petition for Sidewalk on Myrtle Street.

On the above petition the Committee on Roads Bridges and Drains would recommend that the City build the sidewalk putting in the outside edgestone providing the property owners on the street build the sidewalk at their expense

Albert Wallace
S. B. Sexton
Chas H. Seavey

Committee on Roads Bridges & Drains



1898 On motion of Councilman Hayes voted the report be accepted and recommendations adopted.

Report on Petition of United Gas and Electric Co

Report of committee on Street Lights.

The committee on Electric Lights to whom was referred the petition of the United Gas & Electric Co for permission to erect Poles from the Dover Road to the Boston & Maine Railroad. have attended to their duties and report the distance covered is very short and allowing the Co. to connect their lines, and in the judgement of the committee should be done and your committee have designated where the poles should be placed

Rochester N H June 20–1898

John D Fogg
J. D Hussey
} Committee on Electric Light

Report of Committee on Public Instruction

On motion of Councilman Trask voted the report be accepted and recommendations adopted.

Report of committee on Public Instruction.

Rochester N H July 5–1898

To the City Council

Your committee to whom was referred the report of the Special Committee of the School Board in regard to locating a lot for a new School

1895 building, having considered the same. present the following report:

We presume that all admit the need of more and better school accommodations, the only question being the location and size of the building. We infer also that the School Board are not so particular about their right to select a lot, as they are anxious to have an appropriation made by the Council, so that work can speedily be begun on a new school building. Now the Council may have some decided opinions about the location of a lot, and that a fair understanding may be arrived at between the two bodies, we would respectfully recommend that a committee consisting of five members of this Council be selected by the Council, to confer with a like committee of the School Board, and report to the Council their conclusions as to the most desirable lot on which the new school building may be built, and the size of said building.

W. G. Bradley } Com on
Sidney B Hayes } Pub. Instruction

On motion of Councilman Maeder voted the report be accepted and recommendations adopted and the committee appointed. The following committee were appointed Councilmen Turner

Appointment of Com to act with School Board



1895 Wallace. Trask. Scruton and Ames.

Report of Committee on Bills in Second Reading

Report of Committee Bills in Second Reading re Rochester Sewerage.

Sewerage at East. Rochester.

On the above resolution the committee on Bills in their Second Reading report the resolution in proper form.

S B. Scruton } Comon
Chas H Seavey } Bills in

Their Second Reading

Passage of Resolution for E. Roch Sewerage Appropriation

Moved by Councilman Hayes the resolution pass.

Yeas and Nays called resulting as follows.

Yea Councilmen Blaisdell Hayes Geddis Ames. Maeder Babb. Seavey Marcot Turner Trask. Scruton Albert Wallace. 12. None voting, so the resolution passed.

Report of Committee on Genie School House

The committee on Genie School House.

To the Mayor and City Council of the City of Rochester.

The committee on Genie School House report that they have expended the money voted to build said School House as follows.

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|---|---|
| Paid E. T. Trust Contractor | 11,503.83 |
| " Manchester Heating & Lighting Co- Heat & Plumbing. | 1,963.31 |
| " W. M Ames. Engineer | 11.00 |

1898 Paid A. Martin Blasting Stone $5.53
" Martin & Babb Cellar 483.55
" N. Yeaton Grading 333.45
" W. B. Smith Architect 200.00
" G. F. Babb work 64.60
" Ira B. Moore & Co. Giant Powder 7.70
" J. C. Lacy laying out Cellar 2.73
" United Gas & Electric Co 80.52
" Yonic Mfg Co Lumber for Cellar 2.60
" Lovey & Sarah McDuffee Lot 1800.00
Total $6459.06

Leaving a balance of $10.54

They have also incurred liabilities to the amount of one hundred fifty one dollars for grading the lot which the committee will take care of and pay.

There is some more grading necessary to be done and your committee expect to make arrangements to have the same done free of charge to the city.

The furnishing of said house has not been provided for.

Your committee would recommend the furnishing of four rooms with the accompanying teachers and lunch rooms, and estimate the expense of the same at one thousand dollars

Samuel D Felker Comm on
Geo F Babb Erie
J C Meader School
House.



Report on amendment to Chapter XI Gen Ordinance

1898 On motion of Councilman Ames voted the report be accepted

Report of committee on bills in their Second Reading, on Amendment to Chapter XI of General Ordinances.

Your Committee to whom was referred the Resolution amending Chapter XI of the General Ordinances having carefully examined the same are of the opinion that the provision abridging the right of petition is repugnant to the statute law of the State and would recommend the Resolution be returned for revision to the Councilman introducing the same.

S. B Scruton Com on Bills
C F Seavey in Second Reading

Hearing on location of Telephone Pole

On motion of Councilman Meader voted the report be accepted.

Councilman Wallace asked an extension of time for hearing on location of Telephone Pole on Railroad Avenue and on motion of Councilman Meader voted that the hearing be continued to the regular meeting in September

Tebbetts Avenue name to be changed

The hearing on the petition to change name of Tebbetts Ave to Lafayette street being in order, no objection being offered to the change. On motion of Councilman Hayes voted the request

1895 of the petitioners be granted.

Amendment of Rules & Order

Moved by councilman Hayes
That the Rules & Orders of the City Council be amended by adding the following section.

No new street or highway shall be laid out by the Council, unless the petitioners shall present a written agreement that said street or highway shall be graded and built without expense to the city, except in cases when two thirds of the council shall vote that said new street or highway is a public necessity. All new streets or highways shall be laid out at least fifty feet wide and shall not be accepted by the council until they are built and graded to the satisfaction of the committee on roads bridges and drains, and without expense to the city, except in cases as aforesaid.

On motion of councilman Turner voted the rules be suspended, that the resolution may pass.

Voted that the amendment be adopted.

By Councilman Meader

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Rochester.

That the sum of one thousand dollars be raised by note or notes of



1895 said City to be used to furnishing the Genie School House and that said sum shall constitute a portion of the City debt.

Appropriation to furnish Genie School House

On motion of councilman Blaisdell voted the rules be suspended that the resolution may pass.

On the passage of the resolution the yeas and nays were called resulting as follows.

Yea councilmen Blaisdell. Hayes Geddis. Ames. Meader Babb Seavey Marcott Turner Trask Scrutton and Albert Wallace 12. Nay 0

and the resolution passed.

Claim of Joseph Graham for damages

Claim of Joseph Graham for damages read and referred to committee on Legal affairs.

Appropriation for Haven Hill and Town Farm Cemeteries

On motion of councilman Turner voted that forty dollars be appropriated for the care and improvement of the Town Farm Cemetery and Haven Hill Cemetery, the money to be taken from miscellaneous Department and expended equally on the two cemeteries.

City Marshals report for June read and ordered placed on file

Moving of Powder House Left to Highway Com.

On motion of councilman Turner voted the matter of moving the powder house be referred to

1898 Committee on Roads Bridges & Drains.

Edward L. Sibbell, appointed Special police for the Cemetery association. On motion of Councilman Ames voted the appointment be confirmed.

Special police appointed for Cemetery

On motion of Councilman Geddis voted to adjourn.

Attest.

Chas W. Brown
City Clerk



1898

City of Rochester

August 2 - 1898

Regular meeting of the City Council called to order by the mayor.

The following members responded to roll call.

Ward one Blaisdell Hayes. Fogg.
Ward Two Rollins. Geddis and Ames.
Ward Three Seavey.
Ward Four J. D. Hussey and Marcott.
Ward Five Bickford. Turner and Frank
Ward Six Scruton. F. G. Wallace and A. Wallace.

Record of last meeting read and approved.

Petition

Petition of Frank Persault for permit to enlarge dwelling house at head of Factory Court read and

Frank Persault

On motion of Councilman J. D. Hussey voted the petition be granted

Committee on Roads Bridges and Drains. recommended the Powder House be abandoned by the City.

Powder House to be abandoned

On motion of Councilman Turner voted the Powder House be abandoned

Statement and claim of the Sanitary officer read.

Sanitary officer's Teambill to be paid

On motion of Councilman Turner voted the bill of the Sanitary officer for teams amounting to $15.00 be paid.

1898 Councilman Jones offered an amend- (Amendment
ment to Chapter 23 of the Gen Ordinances to Chapt 23
in relation to Salary of Sanitary Officers.
Referred to Committee on bills
in Second Reading.

Hearing on petition to widen Wakefield
and straighten Wakefield street being in Street
order. John Greenfield and Simon Wolf widened
appeared as parties and testified to the
benefit to be derived by the widening.

Recess declared to consider
damages. After coming to order.

On motion of Councilman
Albert Wallace voted the lay out of
Wakefield street be made according to the
plan of the engineer, and that the following
damages be awarded
Charles Greenfield 1 cent
Dominicus Hanson 1 cent
Dame Heirs Sixty Dollars.

Marshals report for July
read and ordered placed on file.

adjourned

Attest

Chas W. Brown
City Clerk

1898

Rochester August 10 1898

There will be a Special meeting of the City Council at their Room on Monday Evening August 15-1898 at-7-30 o'clock.

Business. unexpended complications in the trial of legal claims against the city, which render this meeting of great importance in the opinion of the Mayor and Solicitor.

Per Order of the Mayor
Chas W. Brown
City Clerk.

City of Rochester

August 15-1898

Special meeting of the City Council in pursuance with the above notice, the mayor in the chair.

The following councilmen responded to roll call. Ward Two Rollins and Ames
Ward Three Meader and Seavey.
Ward Four Daniel Hussey and Marcott
Ward Five Bickford Turner and Trask.
Ward Six Scruton. F. Wallace and A. Wallace.

Statement of the mayor as to the object of the meeting. After remarks by City Solicitor Cochrane and Councilmen Seavey, Albert Wallace and Turner on motion of Albert Wallace voted to adjourn

Chas W. Brown City Clerk



1898

City of Rochester

Sept 6-1898

Regular meeting of the city council called to order by the Mayor.

Roll of council called to which the following councilmen responded
Ward One Blaisdell. Hayes. and Fogg.
Ward Two Rollins. Geddis
Ward Three Meader and Seavey
Ward Four Marcott.
Ward Five Bickford Turner and Trask
Ward Six Scruton F. & Wallace A. Wallace

Ames of ward Two and Babb of ward three come in before the transaction of business.

Record of last meeting read and approved.

Petition of C. D. Coleman for sidewalk near his hotel read and referred to committee on Roads Bridges and Drains. — Petition of C. D. Coleman for Sidewalk

Petition of the Assessors of Lebanon Me in relation to extending the water main across the river at East Rochester to the Lebanon side. read and referred to committee on water works. — Communication from Assessors of Lebanon

Petition of J. J. Abbott and others for sidewalk on Myrtle street. read and referred to committee on Roads Bridges and Drains. — Petition of J. J. Abbott and others for Sidewalk

1898 Report of Committee on Legal Affairs on claim of Joseph Graham for damages.

Report on Claim of Graham for damages

The Committee on Legal Affairs to whom the above claim was referred, report that we have examined the premises and having duly considered the matter, conclude that Mr Graham has not a just cause for a claim against the city.

W. G. Bradley
Sidney B. Hayes
Wm E. Turner
} Committee on Legal Affairs.

On motion of Councilman Rollins voted the report be accepted.

On motion of Councilman Rollins voted the petitioner have leave to withdraw

Report of Committee on Bills in their Second Reading on Amendment to Chapter 23 of the General Ordinances.

Amendment Chap XXIII General Ordinances

On the above amendment the Committee on Bills in their Second Reading, to whom the amendment was referred report the same in proper form.

S. B. Scruton
C. H. Seavey
} Committee on Bills in Second Reading.

Moved by councilman Rollins that the further consideration of the amendment be indefinitely postponed. on the consideration of the above motion the Yeas and nays were called for. and



1898 resulted as follows.

Yeas Councilmen Rollins Seavey, Scruton and Albert Wallace. 4

Nays. Councilmen Blaisdell Hayes Fogg Geddis Babb Marcott, Bickford Turner Trask and T. E. Wallace 10- and the motion of Councilman Rollins did not prevail

Councilman Fogg offered the following Amendment

That the words "and horse hire" be stricken out and in place thereof the words "including horse hire" and after the word hundred insert the words "and fifty" So that portion of said section shall read as amended. "The sanitary officer of the board of health, three hundred and fifty dollars, including horse hire.

and the amendment was adopted, and the Section as amended was adopted.

Councilman A. Wallace made a verbal statement in relation to the Emptying of the Surface Sewer into the river at Trask's mill pond. On motion of councilman Fogg voted the matter be left to the committee on Roads Bridges & Drains

Surface Sewer Congress Street

By Councilman T. E. Wallace

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Rochester.

Extension of Water Main

That the Committee on Water Works be instructed to extend the water main from Common street to connect with the main at

1898 the lower end of main street. That a sufficient amount be appropriated from the water receipts of this year to complete the job.
Rochester Sept 6 1898
Refered to committee on Water works.
By Councilman Hayes
Resolved by the City Council of the City of Rochester
That permission be granted to F. E. Wallace & Co to erect a powder house on the city lot on the Farmington road for the storage of powder and other explosives,
Referred to committee on Roads Bridges and Drains with power to act.
Marshals report for August read and ordered placed on file
Communication read from Silas Hussey.
Petition of William Tobin for the removal of the hydrant near his house read and refered to committee on Water works.
The mayor made the following appointments of Special police to act during the fair
E. F. Twombly Frank Hodgdon A. A. Rollins John Hobbs Patrick Grimes Frank Wooder A. Colby. F. R. Adams,
On motion of Councilman Turner voted Geo. A. Walker be appointed Special police.
Councilman A. Wallace in behalf of the committee on Roads Bridges

Powder House

Petition of Wm Tobin removal of Hydrant

Special Police appointed



1898 and Drains reported they were not able to make any settlement with Mr Hussey in relation to the pole near his (Hussey's) house and would leave it to the council to settle.
Moved by Councilman Seavey that the pole be confirmed in its present location Councilman Fogg offered an amendment that the pole be located about thirty feet east of its present location as suggested by the Superintendent of the Telephone Company, Mr Barry. Councilman Seavey accepted the amendment. and the motion of Mr Seavey as amended was carried.
The Yeas and Nays being demanded the result was as follows.
Yea Councilmen Fogg Rollins Geddis Ames Babb Marcott Bickford Turner Trask and Albert Wallace 10-
Nays Councilmen Blaisdell Hayes and Meader ~~and 3~~, and the motion prevailed
On motion of Councilman Fogg voted the location of the pole as above be confirmed.
Recess declared.
After coming to order, on motion of Councilman Turner voted the petitioners for the confirmation of the present location have leave to withdraw, On motion of Councilman Hayes voted that the vote past as above re-locating the pole be reconsidered

Petition of N. E. Tel Co

1898 On motion of Councilman Trask voted Pike and Garland, drivers of City Teams be granted one week vacation, the time to be designated by the street commissioner and Mayor. The case of Jewett Vs the City of Rochester brought to the attention of the council by the City Solicitor, and on motion of Albert Wallace voted the Mayor be instructed to sign the deed from the City to Berry. Adjourned.

Jewett case

Attest.

Chas W. Brown

City Clerk



1898

City of Rochester

October 4 - 1898

Regular meeting of the city council the Mayor in the chair.

The following councilmen were present and responded to roll call.

Ward one Blaisdell and Hayes.

Ward Two Rollins, Geddis and Ames.

Ward Three Babb & Leavey

Ward Four J. D Hussey, Daniel Hussey and Marcott

Ward Five Bickford Turner and Trask

Ward Six F. E Wallace

Record of last meeting read and approved.

Petition of Henry W. Greenfield and others for a sidewalk on Pleasant street read and on motion of Councilman Turner the petition be granted.

Petition for Sidewalk Pleasant St

Petition of W. C Sanborn for permit to move a building through the streets read and on motion of Councilman Rollins voted the petition be granted.

Petition of W C Sanborn to move building

Report of committee on Resolution to erect powder house.

On the above resolution the committee on Roads Bridges & Drains, in view of the fact that owners of adjoining property object to the erection of a powder house in that locality, would recommend that the consideration of the resolution

1898 be indefinitely postponed.

C. H. Seavey, Committee on Roads Bridges & Drains

On motion of Councilman Turner voted the resolution and report lie on the Table.

Report on petition of Chas D Coleman

Report on petition C D Coleman

On the above petition the committee on Roads Bridges & Drains would recommend the sidewalk be laid, providing the petitioner will put in the concrete the city to set the edgestone.

C H Seavey, Committee on Roads Bridges & Drains

On motion of Councilman Trask voted the petition be granted.

Report of committee on Water Works on petition of the Assessors of Lebanon for water main to be extended to the Lebanon side at East Rochester.

Report on petition of Assessors of Lebanon

On the above petition the committee on Water Works have carefully considered the matter, and would report that in our opinion it would not be advisable at this time to carry our pipes across the river

C F. Trask, Sidney B Hayes, Committee on Water Works



1898 On motion of Councilman Ames voted the report be accepted.

Report of Water Committee on petition of William Tobin for removal of Hydrant.

Report on petition of Wm Tobin

On the above petition the Committee on Water Works to whom it was referred, report that in their opinion the Hydrant is now located in as favorable position as is possible, and in our judgment should remain

C F. Trask, Sidney B Hayes, Committee on Water Work.

On motion of Councilman Geddis voted the report be accepted.

Report on resolution to extend water main from Common St to Main St

Report on Resolution to extend water main

The committee on water works to whom the above resolution was referred report, that in their judgement the pipe should be extended as petitioned for and would recommend the passage of the resolution

C F. Trask, Sidney B Hayes, Committee on Water Work.

On motion of Councilman Rollins voted the report be accepted.

On motion of Councilman Rollins voted the resolution pass

The attention of the council was called to the fact that no award had

1898 been made to Asa P. Roberts for land damage on account of the widening of Wakefield street in 1897. — Asa P Roberts award

On motion of councilman Blaisdell voted Asa P. Robert be awarded thirty five dollars land damage on account of the widening of Wakefield street in December 1897.

Petition of the N. E. Telephone and Telegraph Co for location of five Poles on Lafayette st — N. E. Tel Co. Poles Located

On motion of councilman Rollins voted the five poles on Lafayette street as located by the mayor and committee on Roads Bridges and Drains be confirmed

Petition of N. E. Telephone and Telegraph Co for re-locating and re-constructing the lines now standing

On motion of councilman Bickford voted to confirm the location of the seven poles on Main street as established by the mayor and Committee on Roads Bridges & Drains.

Report of City Marshal for September read and ordered placed on file

Bill of W. B. Turner for amount paid for plan of School house lots read and on motion of Councilman Bickford voted the bill be paid. — W. B. Turner Bill to be paid

The following persons were appointed ballot inspectors

Ward One — Inspectors Appointed

Republican Chas E. Swimb
Silas T. Sinclair



1898 Democrat Warren C. Jones
Fred H. McCrillis

Ward Two

Republican Edgar F. Twombly
King S. Hill.

Ward Three

Republican Winslow L. Pugsley
J. S. Allen

Democratic Henry W. Fuller
Chas M Boone

Ward Four

Republican Henry F. Walker
Peter Gagne

Democratic Chas R. Brackett
Simeon Bergeron

Ward Five

Republican Chas W. Gerrish
Frank B Chivers

Democratic Eugene W Emerson
Chas W Buckman

Ward Six

Republican Jas B Stevens
Chas A. Parshley

Democratic N. T Kimball
Frank B. Preston,

adjourned after Chas W Brown City Clerk

1898

# City of Rochester

November 1st 1898

Regular meeting of the City council called to order by Mayor Bradley.

The following councilmen responded to roll call

Ward one Blaisdell Hayes and ~~Fogg~~.
Ward Two Rollins Geddis and Ames
Ward Three Babb and Seavey
Ward ~~Four~~ J.D Hussey. Daniel Hussey
Ward ~~Five~~ Bickford Turner and Trask
Ward Six Scruton F.E Wallace and Albert Wallace

Record of last meeting read and approved

Petition of E.L. Hutchins and others for street Lights on Prospect street. referred to committee on Street Lights.

Petition of Sturtevant Guards for lease of Old Town Hall read. on motion of Councilman Geddis voted the petition be granted with the provision that the City may sell the property at any time without being subject to the lease.

Petition of J.H Clow for larger water main on Douglass Street. Referred to committee on water works.

By Councilman Babb.

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Rochester.

That the old School Building at Gonic be Sold. and the

Petition of Sturtevant Guards

Petition of J.H Clow

Resolution to sell Gonic School House



1898

Mayor is hereby authorized to appoint a committee from the council for that purpose.

Referred to committee on Public Buildings

By Councilman Albert Wallace

Resolved by the City council of the City of Rochester.

That a sum not exceeding Twenty ~~Five~~ Hundred Dollars be raised on note or notes of the City of Rochester for the payment of land damages occasioned by the widening and straightening of highways That the said sum of twenty five hundred dollars shall constitute a portion of the City debt.

Referred to committee on bills in their second reading

By Councilman Ames

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Rochester

That Thirty Five (35) dollars of the money appropriated for miscellaneous expenses be used to pay the interest on the bonds of the Trust Company of America from August 1897 to August 1898.

On motion of Councilman Ames voted that the Rules be suspended that the resolution may pass.

Voted the resolution pass.

Marshal's report for October read and

Resolution to raise money to pay Land Damages

Appropriation for ~~Idlers~~ Trust

Old Cem Fund

1898 ordered placed on file.

Notice from the School Board that they had reconsidered and rejected the proposition made by them June 1st 1898 and recommended the purchase of the Sweet Lot or to take the same by right of eminent domain, and such part of the Sargent lot as may be necessary to make a suitable lot for a School House.

Report of School Board rejected

On motion of Councilman Blaisdell voted unanimously the consideration of the report of the School Board be indefinity postponed

Petition to widen and Straighten Wakefield Street

Petition of H. T. Walker and others to widen and Straighten Wakefield Street read and voted a hearing on the same be granted December 6 1898 at 7 30 P M.

Estimate of Engineer cost prolongation of Surface Sewer on Congress Street.

Voted the outlet to the Surface Sewer on Congress Street be below the Mill Dam of C. T. Trask & Co.

Voted to adjourn

Attest

Chas W Brown

City Clerk



1898

City of Rochester

November 7 1898

Meeting of the City council as per provision of the City Charter for Election of Supervisor of Check List.

Election of Supervisor

The following councilmen were present.

Ward Two Rollins, Geddis and Ames

Ward Three Meader and Seavey

Ward Four Marcou.

Ward Five Bickford Turner and Trask

Ward Six Scruton and Wallace

On motion of Councilman Turner voted to proceed to ballot for Supervison.

Councilman Geddis appointed teller.

Whole number votes cast 11

Chas H. Seavey had 1

Chas W. Bickford had 10

and Chas W Bickford was declared elected.

Adjourned

Attest

Chas W. Brown.

City Clerk

1898

City of Rochester

December 6 1898

Regular meeting of City Council.

Mayor Bradley in the chair.

The following Councilmen responded to roll call.

Ward One Blaisdell Hayes and Fogg.

Ward Two Rollins Geddis and Ames.

Ward Three Meader Babb and Seavey.

Ward Four Marcott.

Ward Five Bickford Turner and Trask

Ward Six Scruton F.E. Wallace and Albert Wallace

Record of previous meetings read and approved.

Petition of W. E. Gray and others to raise price of teams from ten cents per hour to fifteen. read and on motion of Councilman Turner voted the prayer of the petitioners be granted. — Petition To raise pay for Teams

Petition of N.E. Telegraph & Telephone Company. for location of pole on South side of Railroad Avenue received. — N.E. Tel & Tel Co.

On motion of Councilman Albert Wallace. voted that when we adjourn we adjourn to December 22 at 7 30 o'clock P.M. and that the hearing on location of pole be given at that time, and that the hearing on petition to widen and straighten Wakefield Street be continued to that time.

Petition of Silas Hussey



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to locate telephone pole on the Northerly side of Railroad Avenue, read and hearing appointed December 22nd at 7-30 P.M. — Petition of Silas Hussey

Report of committee on bills in their Second Reading on Resolution to appropriate money for Highway damages. — Resolution Highway Damages

On the above resolution the committee on Bills in their Second Reading report the resolution in proper form

S. B. Scruton, C. H. Seavey, John D. Fogg. — Committee on bills in their Second Reading

On the passage of the resolution Yeas and Nays called resulting as follows. Yea. Blaisdell Hayes Fogg. Rollins. Geddis Ames. Meader Babb. Seavey. Marcott Bickford Turner Trask. Scruton F.E. Wallace and Albert Wallace 16. None voting nay the resolution passed.

Report of committee on street Lights. — Report of Committee on street Lights

To the Honorable Mayor and City Council of the City of Rochester. State of New Hampshire.

Gentlemen:-

Your committee to whom was referred the petition for three electric lights to be placed on the following named streets, one on corner of Portland and Prospect one on corner of Prospect

1898 and the old East Rochester road so called
and one about half way between the two
points designated on said Streets.
Your committee after making a careful
examination of that part of the City which
the petitioners asks for improvements, and
also taking into consideration the number of
inhabitants and taxable property in that
vicinity we feel that the petitioners are
justified in making the above request
And they should be accorded the same
rights as enjoyed by others in our City.
Therefor we recommend the petition be
granted.

John D. Fogg (Committee
Jay D. Hussey (on Streets
Geo T. Babb (Lights

On motion of Councilman Turner
voted the report be accepted and the recommendations adopted.

Marshal's report for November read and ordered placed on file.

The committee on Finance reported that there remained on the Tax list for 1897 $159.34 in small amounts mostly poll taxes, and that the Collector would settle the same by paying 50 o/o. And on motion of Councilman Turner voted the proposition to settle for 50 o/o be accepted.

Settlement Tax List 1897

Protest of Dominicus Hanson



1898 against the widening of Wakefield street read.
The hearing on the petition to widen and straighten
Wakefield street continued to December 22
at 7.30 P.M. Adjourned to the time specified

Attest
Chas W Brown
City Clerk

City of Rochester

December 8. 1898

Regular meeting of the City Council to canvass vote for mayor.
No quorum being present the mayor adjourned the meeting to Dec 22 at 7-30 P.M.

Attest
Chas W. Brown
City Clerk.

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# City of Rochester

December 22 1898

Adjourned meting of the City Council met as per adjournment.

The following councilmen responded to roll call.

Ward one. Blaisdell and Hayes.
Ward Two Rollins Geddis and Ames.
Ward Three Meader Babb and Seavey
Ward Four J. D. Hussey, Daniel Hussey and Marcotte
Ward Five Turner and Trask
Ward Six Scruton F. B. Wallace and A. Wallace

Petition of J. T. Quinlan

Petition of J. T. Quinlan for permit to enlarge carriage house read and on motion of Councilman J. D. Hussey voted the petition be granted.

Petition of J. T. Reed

Petition of J. T. Reed for permit to move building from Maple st School yard to his lot on same street read. and on motion of Councilmen Seavey voted the petition be granted with the usual restrictions.

By. Councilman Meader.

Resolution to transfer accounts

Resolution to transfer Accounts

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Rochester.

That the committee on Finance are hereby authorized and impowered to transfer from any department



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where there may be a surplus to any department where there may be a deficiency.

On motion of councilman Meader voted the rules be suspended that the resolution may pass.

Voted. the resolution pass.

Reconsideration of vote raising price of teams

On motion of councilman Turner voted to reconsider the vote passed at the last meting. raising price of teams from ten to fifteen cents per hour.

On motion of councilman Albert Wallace voted the further consideration of the matter of price of teams be referred to the next Council.

Hearing on location of pole

Hearing on the petition of the N. E. Telegraph and Telephone Co being in order. John Kivel Esq appeared for petitioners. and Leslie P. Snow for Silas Hussey. Kivel objected to the consideration of the petition of Silas Hussey. The two petitions were considered together.

The Telephone company opened the hearing. and introduced Mr. Parker and Mr Donnell, as witnesses. Mr. Chas S. Barker was present and entered his protest against the consideration of the petition of Mr Hussey.

The petitioners here rested their case.

Recess of seven minutes declared.

1898 After coming to order. Mr Snow opened the defence against locating the pole at the point proposed.
Wm. Ames appeared as witness.
After remarks by council on both sides Recess was declared to look over the location, and to consider the matter.

After which the council reassembled, and on motion of councilman Albert Wallace voted:

That the New England Telephone and Telegraph Company be and it is hereby granted license and permission to locate, erect and maintain a pole for the support of wires in Railroad avenue as follows, Forty five feet north east of the old location on same side of street and on line of sidewalk.

Location of pole and award of damages.

On motion of councilman Turner, Voted: the sum of one hundred dollars be awarded Silas Hussey for damages to be paid by the Telephone Co.

On motion of Councilman Rollins voted the hearing on the widening of Wakefield street be continued to January 3 - at 7-30 P. M.

Continuation of hearing Wakefield street

Voted to adjourn

attest

Chas W. Brown
City Clerk



1899 City of Rochester

January 3 1899

Regular meeting of the city council mayor Bradley in the chair.
The following members responded to roll call.
Ward One Hayes and Fogg
Ward Two Rollins and Ames
Ward Three Meader Babb and Seavey
Ward Four Daniel Hussey and Marcott
Ward Five Bickford Turner and Trask
Ward Six Scruton, A Wallace and F b Wallace.

Record of previous meetings read and approved.

Communication from School Board notifying the council of the retransfer of the School houses at Gonic and in the Waldron Jennes and So Rochester districts to the city.

Re transfer of School Houses

On motion of councilman Rollins voted to place on file.

Report of marshall for December read and ordered placed on file

Annual reports from the various departments read and placed on file. The committee on elections made the following report.

Annual Reports

To the Mayor and Council of the City of Rochester.

We have examined the returns of the several ward Clerks of the

1899. mayoralty vote and find the result as follows Return of mayoralty vote

Ward One

William Q. Bradley had 204
Robert V Sweet . 84

Ward Two

William Q. Bradley had 174
Robert V Sweet . 53

Ward Three

William Q. Bradley had 73
Robert V Sweet . 168
Joseph Bulley . 1

Ward Four

William Q. Bradley had 183
Robert V. Sweet . 186
Frank Reed . 1

Ward Five

William Q. Bradley had 173
Robert V. Sweet . 69

Ward Six

William Q. Bradley had 178
Robert V. Sweet . 138

Total

William Q. Bradley . 1006
Robert V. Sweet . 728

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S. C Meade
F. E Wallace
} Committee on Elections & Returns

On motion of Councilman Albert Wallace voted that William Q. Bradley be declared elected Mayor and the proper



1899. record made.

Hearing on the petition to widen and straighten Wakefield street was now called. Wakefield St Hearing

On motion of Councilman Babb voted the hearing on the widening and straightening of Wakefield street be indefinitely postponed.

On motion of Councilman Rollins voted to adjourn.

Attest.

Chas W. Brown
City Clerk

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City of Rochester

January 4 1899

Meeting of the city council agreeably to the provisions of the city charter.

Called to order by the clerk.

Roll of members who hold over called and responded to as follows.

Ward One Hayes

Ward Two Geddis and Ames

Ward Three Seavey and Babb

Ward Four Marcott

Ward Five Turner and Trask

Ward Six F. C Wallace and A. Wallace

Inauguration Exercises

Report of committee on elections on mayoralty vote read showing election of William F. Bradley for mayor for the ensuing year. and he being present the oath was administered by the clerk.

Returns from the several ward clerks. showing the following to have been elected councilmen for three years each.

Ward One Geo A Jacobs

Ward Two Geo W. Richards

Ward Three Stephen C. Breader

Ward Four Peter Poisson

Ward Five Frank B. Maguire

Ward Six Stephen B. Scruton.

The oath administered to the above named. by the city clerk.

Prayer was then offered by Rev John Mantell.



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Mayor Bradley then delivered his inaugural address. after which proceeded to the election of officers.

Election of City officers

On motion of councilman Hayes voted Councilman Ames cast one ballot for Chas W. Brown for City Clerk. and the ballot was so deposited. and Chas W. Brown declared elected

Oath was administered to the clerk by councilman Sidney B Hayes.

On motion of councilman Hayes voted councilman Trask cast one ballot for John L. Copp for Treasurer. and it was so voted. and John L. Copp declared elected Treasurer.

On motion of councilman Hayes voted Councilman Meader cast one ballot for Samuel D Tucker for City Solicitor and the ballot was deposited accordingly. and Samuel D Tucker declared elected.

On motion of councilman Hayes it was voted Councilman F C Wallace cast one ballot for J. B Stevens for Tax Collector and it was so deposited and J. B. Stevens declared elected.

On motion of Councilman Hayes it was voted Councilman Seavey cast one vote for Eugene A Watson for Street Commissioner and the ballot was cast accordingly and Eugene A Watson declared elected.

On motion of councilman Hayes it was voted. Councilman Albert Wallace cast one ballot for L. P. Pickering for Supt of

1899 Water Works and Sewers, and it was so deposited and L. P. Pickering declared elected.
On motion of councilman Hayes voted that councilman Jacobs cast one ballot for Nahum L. Berry for marshal and it was so deposited and Nahum L. Berry declared elected.
On motion of councilman Hayes voted that Councilman Maguire cast one ballot for Edgar M Cate for asst marshal and the ballot was deposited accordingly and Edgar M Cate declared elected.
On motion of Councilman Hayes, voted that Councilman Turner cast one ballot for Ferdinand Sylvain for night watch, and it was so deposited and Ferdinand Sylvain declared elected.
On motion of councilman Hayes voted that Councilman Poisson cast one ballot for Winslow L Pugsley, for Police at Gonic and it was so deposited and Winslow L. Pugsley declard elected
On motion of councilman Hayes voted that Councilman Geddis, cast one ballot each for Thomas H Potts and Chas H Prescott for Police in East Rochester, and the ballots deposited accordingly and Thos H Potts and Chas H Prescott declared elected,
On motion of councilman Hayes voted that Councilman Babb cast one ballot for



1899 George H Webster for chief engineer of Fire Dept, and it was so deposited and Geo H Webster declared elected.
On motion of councilman Hayes voted that councilman Marcott cast one ballot for Chas H Osgood for 1st asst engineer of Fire Dept and it was so deposited and Chas H Osgood was declared elected
On motion of councilman Hayes voted that Councilman Richards cast one ballot for Amos Clark for 2nd asst engineer, and the ballot was deposited accordingly and Amos Clark declared elected.
On motion of councilman Hayes voted that Councilman Scruton cast one ballot for Chas W Chisholm for 3rd Asst Engineer of Fire Dept and it was so deposited and Chas W Chisholm declared elected.
On motion of councilman Hayes voted that Councilman Stark cast one ballot for Louis M. Richardson for 4th Asst Engineer of Fire Dept and deposited accordingly and Louis M Richardson declared elected
On motion of councilman Hayes voted that Councilman Seavey cast one ballot for Chas Blaze for City Physician and it was deposited accordingly and Charles Blaze declared elected.
On motion of Councilman Hayes voted that Councilman Marcott cast one ballot for

1899 Nahum Yeaton for Assessor for three years
And it was so deposited and Nahum Yeaton
declared elected.
The mayor appointed the following committees,

Finance

The Mayor, Councilmen Trask and Albert Wallace

Shade Trees Parks & Commons.

The Mayor, Councilmen Marcott & Richards.

Public Instruction

The Mayor Councilmen H. Wallace & Hayes

Claims and Accounts

Councilmen Trask Scruton & Ames

Public Buildings

Councilmen Babb, Poisson & Maguire.

Roads Bridges & Drains

Councilmen Albert Wallace, Scruton & Seavey

Water Works & Sewerage

Councilmen Trask Meader & Hayes.

Fire Dept.

Councilmen Geddis Marcott & Jacobs

Street Lights

Councilmen Fogg, Babb & Maguire

Printing

Councilmen Turner, Hussey and Poisson

Adams & Old Cemetery Funds

Councilmen Ames, Turner & Richards

Elections & Returns

Councilmen Meader H. Wallace & Geddis



1899 Bills in their Second Reading & Enrolled Ordinances.
Councilmen Scruton, Fogg and Seavey.

Legal affairs.

The Mayor, Councilmen Hayes & Turner

Purchasing Committee

The Mayor Councilmen Meader and A. Wallace

Police

The Mayor Councilmen Trask and Meader.

The following appointments of Special Police, and other officers were then made.

Special Police.

William A Hanscom, Moses L Sterret
Cyrille Vachon, Frank A. Blackmar
Nahum T. Woodman, Rodney L. Cross
Francis Armstrong, Henry C Walker
James Connell, John F. Quinlan
Patrick Keating, James Brennon,
Frank H. Pettigrew, Frank S Edgerly
Horace Mills, Chas W Chisholm
Chas H Tebbetts, John Jenness
W H H Brock, William R Kimball

Fish and Game wardens

Herman A. McDuffee, John A Bellows
Michael Griffin, Everett L. Trafton

Janitor City Building

W. A Hanscom

Weigher Hay Straw & Coal

Nahum Yeaton, John C Willey, John L Tebbets
Rodney L Cross, John McDonald

1899 Daniel T. Jenness. John G. Morrill
Pardon R Francis. Alonzo L. Hoyt

Sealer of weights & measures.

Chas M Bailey.

Surveyor of wood and lumber

Geo. M. Ames. Nahum T. Woodman Frank B. Preston. Sidney B Hayes Nahum Yeaton Geo Lees. Edmund Elliott. W. P. Ames.

Fence Viewers

Ezra Stanley. Isaiah Wilkinson.

On motion of councilman Trask voted the several appointments be confirmed.

On motion of councilman Meader voted the matter of regulating price of loams be left to the Committee on Roads Bridges & Drains.

Price of Loams

On motion of councilman Albert Wallace voted that when we adjourn we adjourn to January 24th- adjourned to time specified

Attest

Chas W. Brown
City Clerk



1899 City of Rochester

January 24- 1899

Adjourned meeting of the city council met agreeably to adjournment Mayor Bradley in the chair.

Roll of council called responded to as follows.

Ward One Hayes and Jacobs.
Ward Two Geddis Ames and Richards.
Ward Three Babb.
Ward Four Marcotte and Poisson
Ward Five Turner Trask and Maguire
Ward Six Wallace and Scruton

Petition of John A Allen and others for an appropriation for White Hall Swamp road read and referred to Committee on Rodds Bridges and Drains.

Petition of J. A. Allen

Bonds of Asst Marshall and Treasurer presented and referred to Solicitor for examination.

Copy of resolutions passed by the Rochester Cycle Club approving the recommendation of the Mayor for the appropriation of $5.000 to macadamize streets read and ordered placed on file.

Cycle Club Communication

By councilman Poisson

Resolved by the Mayor and Council of the City of Rochester,

That the City Clerk is hereby instructed to prepare for the printer

Resolution for printing Reports

1899 a report for the year ending. December 31st 1898 to include a report from the several departments. Mayors address resolutions of appropriation, amendments to the General Ordinances, and such other matter as may be thought advisable. To submit the same to the printers of the City for bids. and to give the printing of the same to the lowest bidder. Referred to committee on Printing with power to act.

By Councilman Trask.

Bill to authorize City to issue Bonds

Resolved by the 2nd City Council of the city of Rochester that the City Solicitor subject to the approval of the Mayor be authorized and instructed to draw up a bill and present the same to the Legislature authorizing the City of Rochester to issue bonds not exceeding thirty thousand dollars or for a term of years not exceeding thirty, the proceeds of the same to be used for the purpose of buying a lot and building a new School house in said Rochester.

Rochester N.Y. January 24-1899.

On motion of Councilman Ames voted the rules be suspended that the resolution may pass. Voted that the resolution pass.

The Finance Committee made the following report.

To the City Council of the City



1899 of Rochester.

Report of Finance Committee

The committee on Finance have looked over the needs of the several departments for the ensuing year and would recommend that the following sums be appropriated for the support of the various for the year 1899.

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| For Hydrants | 2,500 |
| . Fire Dept | 2,400 |
| . Sidewalks | 1,500 |
| . Salaries | 4,400 |
| . Highways | 9,000 |
| . Miscellaneous Dept | 2,400 |
| . Sampson Post G. A. R. | 150 |
| . East Rochester Library & Reading Room | 200 |
| . Street Lights | 6,500 |
| . City Poor & Soldiers Aid | 1,200 |
| . Free Public Library & Reading Room | 1,400 |
| . County Tax | 12,866.45 |
| . East Rochester School House | 2,000 |
| . Gonic School House | 3,877.50 |
| . Bonds Series Four | 6,500 |
| . Interest on Sewer Bonds | 3,870 |
| . Schools & School Books & Supplies in addition to Literary Fund & Dog Licenses | 19,000 |
| . Health Dept | 200 |
| Total | 79,963.95 |

W. G. Bradley
Albert Wallace
Chas S. Trask.
} Committee on Finance

1899 By Councilman Albert Wallace.

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Rochester.

Resolution of Appropriation

That for the Support of the various departments for the ensuing year there be raised by taxation the sum of $18,112.45

And that the balance necessary to make the amount called for by the Finance Committee be taken from the amount coming from the State.

On motion of Councilman Albert Wallace voted the rules be suspended that the resolution may pass.

On the passage of the resolution Yeas and Nays called resulting as follows.

Yea. Councilmen Hayes. Jacobs. Geddis Ames. Richards. Babb. Poisson. Turner. Trask. Maguire. Albert Wallace and Scruton 12. none voting no. the resolution passed.

By Councilman Scruton.

Resolution for Committee to act with Committee of School Board

Resolved by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Rochester, that a committee consisting of four members be appointed from the City Council. the Mayor Constituting one member and the other three members to be by him appointed, for the purpose of confering with a similar committee from the School Board with reference to the selecting of a lot and



1899 building a School house in said city.

Rochester N.Y January 24 1899.

Moved by Councilman Turner the resolution lay on the table and it was declared not carried. Yeas and nays called for resulting as follows.

Yea Councilmen Geddis Richards Babb Turner & Maguire 5

Nays Councilmen Hayes Jacobs Ames Marcotte Poisson. Trask A Wallace and Scruton 8- and the motion did not prevail

Moved by Councilman Turner the consideration of the resolution be postponed to the next regular meeting The motion did not prevail.

On motion of Councilman Scruton voted the rules be suspended that the resolution may pass.

Voted that the resolution pass.

Committee appointed

The Mayor appointed Councilmen Scruton Trask and Albert Wallace to act with the Mayor as the committee called for in the foregoing resolution.

Bonds of Asst Marshal and Treasurer accepted

The Solicitor reported the bonds of the Asst Marshal and Treasurer to be properly drawn and it was voted the bonds be accepted.

The mayor notified the Council that there was a vacancy in the

1899 Board of Trustes of the Public Library in wards five and Six.

On motion of Councilman Hayes voted that Councilman Richards cast one vote for James Farrington. and J. Edgar McDuffee for Trustes of Public Library from wards five and Six respectively. and one vote each for the above named was deposited and they declared elected.

Election of Trustes of Public Library

The mayor appointed Pardon R Francis and John H Hill as Surveyors of wood and Lumber. and George Gagne & J. Dame and Harley Le Warmhood as Special Police.

Surveyors and Special Police Appointed

On motion of Councilman Albert Wallace voted the appointments be confirmed.

On motion of councilman Albert Wallace voted the selling of the old School House at Gonic be left with the mayor and Committee on Public Buildings.

School House at Gonic to be sold

On motion of councilman Hayes voted to adjourn.

Attest.

Chas W. Brown
City Clerk



1899 City of Rochester

February 7 1899

Regular meeting of the City council called to order by the mayor.

The following councilmen were present and responded to roll call.

Ward one Hayes and Jacobs.
Ward Two Ames and Richards
Ward Three Seavey
Ward Four Marcotte and Poisson
Ward Five Turner Trask and Maguire
Ward Six J. E. Wallace A. Wallace Scruton

Record of last meeting read and approved.

Petition of R. J. Wallace and others for an additional Street light at lower end of main street, read. and refered to Committee on Street Lights.

Petition of R. J. Wallace and others for Street Light

Committee on Water Works made the following report.

To the Mayor and City Council of the city of Rochester,

Report on Condition of Water

It may not be necessary to call the attention of the Council to the condition of our water supply for domestic use. we are all more or less familiar with it. certainly all who are using it. but your Committee that a report of the situation should be made to the council. and if possible some means devised. whereby we can at all

1899 times have good water. The water was fairly good until late in the Summer or early fall of 1895 when it began to have a disagreable taste, and continued to grow worse until it was unfit for use. The water was analyzed. And a report made of its condition. The analysis showed it was a vegetable growth in the water called algae. An expert water engineer was employed to make an examination of the water, and to suggest some method for bringing it direct from Round Pond. He gave his opinion that when the light was excluded from the Reservoir by ice and snow, the water would return to its former condition, the fact was the condition grew worse with the advance of cold weather, and in the Spring of 1896 the Committee on Water Works, instructed by vote of the City Council, connected Round Pond direct with gates and valves at the gate house of the Reservoirs, So that water could be drawn from either the Reservoirs or Round Pond. Pipe was laid almost the entire length of the Reservoirs, The expense of making this connection was in the neighborhood of $8,000

Since that time the water has been taken from Round Pond, and has been good until the latter part of last Summer, when your committee thought it advisable to draw from the Reservoirs, and the water is taken from



1899 that source at the present time.

There has been no analysis made lately, but the taste and smell in Round Pond is very similar to what it was in the Reservoirs in 1895. There is at times in the water from the Reservoirs this disagreable taste, as all who use it have noticed. The water in Round Pond has improved somewhat since last September, and may be all right in the Spring, but which is liable to be unfit for use at any time. We are of the opinion that measures should be taken to devise some plan to remedy the difficulty. Your committee have at present no authority to expend money in making such investigation as appears necessary, and would not feel justified in so doing without the authority of this body. To put the plant in condition to furnish good water, may require a large expenditure of money, and your committee are of the opinion, that very careful investigation should be made, that the best possible plan for giving to the citizens of this city, good water may be adopted.

Chas F. Trask (Committee
Sidney B Hayes (Water Works

Voted the Committee on Water Works, make such investigation as may be necessary, and the expense of the same be taken from the earnings of

1899 The water department.

Claim of W'm Preston

Claim of Wingate T. Preston for damage occasioned by laying water Pipe through his land near Round Pond. read and on motion of Councilman Albert Wallace voted to refer to committee on Legal affairs and Water Works for adjustment.

Resolution to macadamize E. Rochester Road

By Councilman Fogg.

Resolved by the city Council of the city of Rochester.

That the Sum of Five thousand dollars be expended on the Highway leading from Rochester to East Rochester in macadamizing a portion of the Same and that the mayor and Committee on Streets are instructed to carry this resolution into effect.

East Rochester N H January 31st 1899.

Referred to committee on Roads Bridges & Drains.

Resolution to hire money to macadamize E. Rochester Road

By Councilman Fogg

Resolved by the mayor and City Council of the City of Rochester.

That the Sum of Five Thousand dollars be raised on note or notes of said city for the purpose of macadamizing a portion of the road leading from Rochester to East Rochester, and that said sum of five thousand dollars shall constitute a portion of the City debt

East Rochester N H January 31st 1899.



1899 Referred to committee on bills in their second reading.

Report of Committee on printing

Rochester N. H. February 7 1899

To the mayor and city council of the city of Rochester

Gentlemen:

Your committee to whom was referred the resolution authorizing the printing of the City Report for year 1898 with power to act. have let the job by contract sending out Specification of same to the various printers in this city and have awarded the contract to Albion Bickford who is the lowest bidder.

Wm E Turner

Peter Poisson

Report of the marshal for January read and ordered placed on file.

Motion for joint discussion of School House Question

Moved by Councilman Turner That this council respectfully request and hereby extend an invitation to the members of the School Board to meet them in joint session for the discussion of and the better understanding of the need by the city of a new School House. its proper size and location and for what grade of School, or if any School house whatever is required. That the Session shall be public and any citizen may express his mind upon the subject before it. The time and place

1899 of said joint session to be as the School board may designate also that it be held before any finale report is made by the committee. and the motion prevailed.
The mayor made the following appointments for Special Police. Frank Caley.
On motion of Councilman Ames voted the appointment be confirmed.
On motion of councilman Ames voted to adjourn.

Attest
Chas W. Brown
City Clerk



1899 City of Rochester

March 6th 1899

Special meeting of the City Council called by order of mayor. met agreeably to notice. Called to order by mayor Bradley. The following councilmen were present and answered to roll call.
Ward one Hayes and Jacobs
Ward Two Ames and Richards
Ward Three Meade
Ward Four Marcotte and Poisson
Ward Five Turner & Trafford
Ward Six H.G. Wallace & Wallace and Scruton.

Resolutions on the death of Ex mayor Whitehouse

Councilman Hayes presented the following preamble and resolutions.
Whereas. as the representative body our City. we are met here with mingled feelings of regret and sorrow to take some appropriate action on the decease of our esteemed fellow citizen Hon Charles L. Whitehouse the first mayor of this City who passed from this life into the unknown Saturday March 4th 1899.
Sadly concious that our City has lost one of its most public Spirited and honored citizens. therefor Be it resolved.
That while we sincerely mourn the loss of Ex Mayor Whitehouse who has ever been an honor to this

1899 his native town, we recognize the hand o Divine Providence in his removal from this busy life after having served with distinction and faithfully his City and State in many positions of trust,

Resolved: That while we shall as citizens miss so much his counsel and assistance in all that makes for the good of the community and the growth our City, we will endeavor to cherish the memory of his untiring efforts for the advance of good government, the education of the rising generation and the good reputation of our growing young City, which became a municipal corporation largely through his active labors and influence

Resolved: That we tender to his bereaved family our condolence and sympathy in this their time of great affliction and sorrow,

Resolved, That these resolutions be spread on our records, and a copy sent to the family of the deceased,

On motion of Councilman Albert Wallace voted the suspension of the Rules and the passage of the resolutions,

On motion of Councilman Albert Wallace voted to attend the funeral of Ex Mayor Whitehouse, On motion of Councilman Scruton voted that Councilman Turner make the necessary arrangements



1899 On motion of Councilman Meader voted to adjourn.

Attest

Ras W Brown

City Clerk

City of Rochester

March 7- 1899

Regular meeting of Council the Mayor in the chair.

The following Councilmen responded to roll call. t

Ward Two Richards

Ward Four Marcelle

Ward Six Albert Wallace and Scruton.

No quorum being present the mayor adjourned the council to March 14th at 7-30 P. M

Attest

Ras W. Brown

City Clerk

1899 City of Rochester

March 11, 1899

Adjourned meeting of the City council called to order by the mayor.

The following councilmen responded to roll call.

Ward One Hayes and Jacobs.
Ward Two Geddis Ames and Richards.
Ward Three Babb and Meader
Ward Four Poisson.
Ward Five Turner Trask and Maguire
Ward Six T. E. Wallace, A. Wallace and Scruton.

Record of previous meeting read and approved.

Petition of Dominicus Hanson for permit to obstruct Highway, corner of Hanson and Main Streets read and on motion of Councilman Ames voted the prayer of the petitioner be granted. — Petition of D. Hanson

Petition of Frank Sylvain for permit to move building from Summer street to Lafayette street read and on motion of Councilman Turner voted the petition be granted. — Petition of F. Sylvain

Petition of John Marshall for permit to move building from Farmington road to Highland street read and on motion of Councilman Jacobs voted the petition be granted. — Petition of John Marshall



Resolution to lay Water Pipe

1899 By Councilman Trask.

Resolved by the city council of the City of Rochester.

That the superintendent of the water works be instructed, under the direction of the committee on water works to lay the water pipe from Washington street to Maple street through Oak, and relay the pipe from Congress street to Liberty through Charles street with four inch pipe and relay the pipe in Clovis court with four inch pipe and lay two hundred feet through Logan street and lay 250 feet through Union street East Rochester with six inch pipe putting in the necessary Hydrants and Gates. That a sufficient Sum to complete the Job be taken from the earnings of the water works this year.

On motion of Councilman Trask, Voted the rules be suspended that the resolution may pass.

Voted the resolution pass.

Report of Marshal for February read and ordered to be placed on file.

Councilman made a verbal report as committee to furnish transportation for the Council to attend funeral of ex-mayor Whitehouse presenting bill of four dollars as cost of the same. — Turners bill to be paid

1899 On motion of councilman Hayes voted the bill be paid.

Councilman Geddis presented bill of Cochuo Hose Co for expense of putting electric lights in their house. — Bill of Cochuo to be paid

On motion of Councilman Geddis voted the bill be paid.

Resignation of J. E. McDuffee as member of the School Board read. — Resignation of J E McDuffee

On motion of Councilman Turner voted the resignation be accepted and that we ballot for his successor at the next regular meeting.

The Mayor appointed Eugene G. Trafton as special police. — Special Police appointed

On motion of Councilman Hayes voted the appointment be confirmed.

On motion of Councilman Jacobs voted to adjourn.

attest

Carl W. Brown

City Clerk.



1899 City of Rochester

April 4. 1899

Regular meeting of the city council called to order by the Mayor.

The following councilmen responded to roll call.

Ward one Hayes and Jacobs.

Ward Two Geddis Ames and Richards.

Ward Four Hussey Marcotte and Poisson

Ward Five Turner and ~~Trask~~

Ward Six Albert Wallace and Serutan.

Meader of ward Three - Maguire of ward Five and J. E Wallace of ward Six joined the council before the transaction of business.

Record of last meeting read and approved.

Petition of Bartholemew Orino for permit to move a building from Charles Street to Portland street read and on motion of Councilman Ames voted the petition be granted with the usual restrictions. — Petition of Bart Orino to move building

Order from the Board of Health in relation to School Houses read and referred to Committee on Public Instruction. — Notice from Board of Health

On motion by Councilman Turner voted. That the Committee on

1899 Roads. Bridges & Drains. are hereby instructed to cause the numbering of all residences Stores, factories &c in wards. Two. four. five and Six. to at least one mile from Central Square or such distance as they may deem proper. That as far as practical fifty feet front on any street shall be considered a number except where buildings or Stores are nearer. or in the central part of city. where there may be future buildings. then twenty feet may be called a number. this matter to rest at the discretion of said committee Also that on all Street leading from Central Square the numbers shall begin at the Square and on all other Streets. on the end nearest said Square. Said numbering to be completed on or before the regular Council meeting in July. Also the street now known as main Street shall be named as follows That part running in a northeastaly direction from Central Square Shall be called North Main Street and that part running in a Southerly direction from Central Square Shall be called South Main Street. The expense of said numbering to be taken from the Miscellaneous Fund.

To number houses

Street name

On motion of Councilman Hayes voted to refer to the committee on Roads Bridges & Drains to investigate and



1899 report.

On motion of Councilman Hayes voted the order of the Board of Health be referred to the committee on Public Buildings. instead of committee on Public Instruction.

Marshals report for March read and ordered placed on file.

Moved by Councilman Turner to proceed to ballot for member of School Board to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of J. L. McDuffee

Councilman Wallace moved to amend by postponing the election one month. the amendment was lost. And voted to proceed to ballot. Councilmen appointed tellers.

Ballot for member of School Board

Whole no votes cast 15

R. V. Sweet 5

Elias T. Smith 10

and Elias T. Smith was declared elected.

Notice from Leslie P. Snow Esq in relation to the Powder House was read and on motion of Councilman A. Wallace voted the street commissioner be instructed to tear the Powder House down on or before June 1st

Powder House

On motion of Councilman Albert Wallace voted to adjourn.

Attest

Chas W Brown City Clerk

1899

City of Rochester

May 2 1899

Called to order by the mayor
The following councilmen responded
to roll call
Ward one Hayes and Jacobs
Ward Two Ames.
Ward Four Marcotte and Poisson
Ward ~~Five~~ Maguire
Ward Six Scruton.

No quorom being present the
mayor adjourned the council to May 16.

Attest

Chas W. Brown
City Clerk



1899

City of Rochester

May 16 1899

Adjourned meeting of the
City council called to order by the mayor

The following councilmen
were present and responded to roll call
Ward One Hayes, Fogg and Jacobs
Ward Two Geddis Ames and Richards
Ward Three Babb Leavey and Meader
Ward ~~Four~~ Marcotte and Poisson
Ward ~~Five~~ Turner Trask and Maguire
Ward Six Albert Wallace and Scruton.

Record of previous meeting
read and approved.

Petition of John J. Quinlan — Petition of J. J. Quinlan

for permit to obstruct Sidewalk on Auburn
street read and on motion of Albert
Wallace voted the petition be granted.

Petition of Geo J. Willey — Petition of Geo J. Willey

for permit to move a small building
from Summer Street to Union street read
and voted the petition be granted

Petition of George M. — Petition of Geo M Wentworth

Wentworth for permit to move a building
from Main Street to Oak Street in Gonic
Village read and on motion of Councilman
Babb voted the petition be granted.

Petition of Chas M Bailey — Petition of Chas M Bailey & others

and others for a highway from
King Street to Portland street, read and

1899 on motion of Councilman Albert Wallace voted a hearing be granted the petitioners June Sixth at 7.30 o'clock P.M. — Petition of Morrill Greenfield and others

" and others for a highway from Spruce street to Heaton street, read, and on motion of Councilman Albert Wallace voted a hearing be granted the petitioners June 6 at 7.30 o'clock P.M.

Petition of George T. McDuffee for permit to move a small building from Summer street to upper Main street read, and on motion of Councilman Ames voted the petition be granted. — Petition of Geo T. McDuffee

Petition of Ezekiel Wentworth for permit to build a two story brick building, and to obstruct highway on Baker's Court read, and referred to committee on Roads Bridges & Drains. — Petition of Wentworth

Petition of John W. Berry and Chas W. Bradley for the appointment of Arthur S. Berry as Surveyor of Wood and Lumber read, and the appointment was made by the mayor. On motion of Councilman Ames voted the appointment be confirmed. — Appointment of A.S. Berry Surveyor

Petition of J. T. Dodge and others for water in the Cemetery road, and on motion of councilman Turner voted to refer to Committee on Water Works to make such rate as they may deem proper. — Petition of J.T. Dodge and others



1899 Report of committee on street lights on petition of R. J. Wallace & others. — Report on petition of R.J. Wallace

Honorable Mayor and Gentlemen of the Council.

The committee on street Light to whom was referred the petition for another Electric Light at the lower end of Main street ward 2 have investigated the matter and unanimously report in favor of the petition

John D. Fogg
George T. Babb
T. B. Maguire.

On motion of councilman Scruton voted the report be accepted and the recommendations adopted.

Report of Committee on Roads Bridges & Drains on resolution to macadamize East Rochester road.

That in view of the fact of the heavy indebtedness of the City we do not think it advisable to increase the debt for permanent improvements on highways

Rochester May 16 1899.

Albert Wallace
S B Scruton
C H. Seavey
Committee on Roads Bridges & Drains

Report of Committee on R. Br. & D. on Fogg's resolution.

After some discussion it was voted to recommit the resolution

1899 to the committee on Roads Bridges & Drains.

Petition of Lothrops Farnham & Co and others. for a committee from the Council to confer with the Supt of the Gonic Mill, and such other parties as they may deem advisable in relation to starting up the Harvey Plains Mills. read and on motion of Councilman Jacobs voted a committee of three be appointed, Councilman Turner and Ames were appointed.

Petition of Lothrops Farnham & others in relation to N. P. Co. Mills

By Councilman Babb.

Resolved by the Honorable Mayor and City Council of the City of Rochester

That the firm of M A Hanson & Co shoe manufactures be exempt from taxation on all new buildings Machinery and stock for a period of ten years from april 1st 1899

Referred to Committee on Legal affairs.

Resolution to exempt M A Hanson from taxation

By Councilman Babb.

Resolved by the mayor and Council of the City of Rochester.

That all steps Portions and other obstructions be removed from the side-walks on the main street in Gonic Village from the junction of Maple Street and Railroad avenue to the old School House lot. Referred to Committee on

Resolution to move Steps &c at Gonic



1899 Roads Bridges & Drains.

Communication from Sampson Post G.A.R. inviting the mayor and Council to assist in the exercises of Memorial Day May 30. read. and on motion of Councilman Albert Wallace voted to accept the invitation.

Communication from Sampson Post G.A.R.

Marshals report for April read and ordered placed on file.

The mayor appointed E. S. Tebbetts, Special Police at the Cemetery. Voted the appointment be confirmed.

E. S. Tebbetts appointed Special Police

Bond of J. B. Stevens, collector of taxes read and referred to committee on Legal affairs.

Tax Collectors Bond accepted

The committee reported the bond as correct and on motion of Councilman Albert Wallace voted the bond be accepted

Report of the joint Committee of School Board and the Council on the location of School House recommending the Joanna S Hurd lot read. no action taken.

Petition of the School Board to the Council, to take the Joanna S Hurd lot for School purposes and appraise the damages, moved by Councilman Turner the consideration of the petition be indefinitely postponed. on this question the Yeas and Nays were called resulting as follows. Yea, Councilmen

Petition of School Board to take Hurd lot

1899 Hayes. Jacobs. Geddis Richards Seavey
Poisson and Turner 7
Nay. Councilmen Fogg. Ames. Babb. Meader
Trask, Maguire. Albert Wallace and
Scruton 8, and the motion did not prevail

On motion of Councilman
Albert Wallace voted a hearing be granted
on the petition of the School Board
June 6th at 7-30 o'clock P.M.

On motion of councilman Ames
voted to adjourn

Attest
Geo W. Brown
City Clerk



1899 City of Rochester

June 6 1899

Regular meeting of city council
mayor Bradley in the chair.

The following councilmen
responded to roll call.
Ward one Hayes and Jacobs.
Ward Two Geddis. Ames and Richards
Ward Three Babb and Seavey
Ward Four Hussey and Meader
Ward Five Turner Trask and Maguire.
Ward Six 7. 6. Wallace. A Wallace and Scruton.

Record of previous meeting
read and approved.

Petition of Frank b. Hussey
for additional award of damages read
and referred to committee on Legal affairs.

Petition of Ferdinand Sylvain
for permit to move building read.

On motion of Councilman
Ames voted the petition be granted.

Petition of N. b. Telephone and
Telegraph Co for relocation of Pole on
Railroad ave read after which
Councilman Albert Wallace presented the
following resolution.

Resolved by the City council
of the City of Rochester.

That the New England
Telephone and Telegraph Company

Petition of Frank b. Hussey for additional award

Petition of Telephone Co to relocate pole

Resolution to locate Pole

1899 beond it is hereby granted a location and license for the erection and maintenance of one pole with the wires and cables to be placed thereon at a point on the northerly side of Railroad Avenue in said Rochester which point is at the outer edge of the curbing and sixteen feet easterly from a point where the extension of the front line of Barkers Block intersects with the outer edge of said curbing on said Railroad Avenue. said pole to be in size not less than six inches in diameter at the top and not less than twenty five feet in height. to be painted a dark green color similar to trimmings on Barkers Block. said wires now in use to be contained in two cables and to be maintained at a height of not less than eighteen feet from the ground. and additional wires and cables may be placed thereon as the business of said Company may hereafter require; It is further resolved that the above granted location and license be and is in substitution for the location and license for a pole with wires and cables to be attached. granted by said City Council January 3rd 1899. and the said order for said location and license be and the same is hereby rescinded and revoked.

It is further ordered that this council having considered the question



1899 of damage to the estate of Charles S. and Etta L. Barker occasioned and to be occasioned by the location. erection and maintenance of said pole. cables and wires hereby find and award to said Charles S. and Etta L. Barker for such location. erection and maintenance the sum of one cent each.

On motion of Councilman Albert Wallace voted the rules be suspended that the resolution may pass.

Voted the resolution pass.

Committee on Roads. Bridges and Drains made the following report on Resolution to macadamize the East Rochester road.

Report on resolution to macadamize Eastern Avenue

On the above resolution the committee on Roads Bridges and Drains would recommend the passage of the resolution with the following amendment, striking out the words. "leading from Rochester to East Rochester" after the word "highway". and strike out the words "a portion of the same" after the word "macadamizing" so that the resolution as amended shall read.

That the sum of Five thousand dollars be expended on the Highways in macadamizing. and that the mayor and Committee on streets are instructed to carry this resolution into effect

Aldermen Coffey Smith Seaver

Commissioner Roads Bridges Drains

1899 Councilman Hayes offered an amendment that Eastern Avenue be macadamized to the Salmon Falls road.

On the adoption of the amendment the Yeas and Nays were called resulting as follows.

Yea. Councilmen Hayes. Jacobs Richards Marcotte Turner. Maguire T. F. Wallace & Nay councilmen. Geddis Ames. Babb Seavey. Hussey Trask. A. Wallace and Stephen B. Scruton. 8.

The resolution as amended by the committee on Roads Bridges and Drains then passed.

Committee on Bills in their Second Reading reported as follows on Resolution to appropriate Five Thousand Dollars to macadamize East Rochester road.

On the above resolution the committee on Bills in their Second Reading report the resolution in proper form.

S. B. Scruton
C. H. Seavey
Committee on Bills in their Second Reading

Resolution of appropriation to lay macadam

Councilman Babb then presented the following amendment.

Strike out the following words. "a portion of the road leading from Rochester to East Rochester" after



1899 the word "macadamizing" and insert in place thereof the words "the Highways" So that the resolution as amended shall read as follows.

That the sum of Five Thousand dollars be raised on note or notes of said City. for the purpose of macadamizing the Highways. and that said sum of Five Thousand dollars shall constitute a portion of the City debt. The amendment was adopted - and the resolution as amended passed. the council voted by yea and nay as follows

Yea. Councilman Hayes. Jacobs. Geddis Ames. Richards Babb Seavey Hussey Marcotte Turner Trask Maguire T. F. Wallace. Albert Wallace and Scruton. 15-

Report of Committee on Legal affairs.

To the City council of the City of Rochester.

Report of Committee on Legal affairs on settlement of land damages

The committee on Legal Affairs report that they are able to settle the land damage case of John Hanscom for land taken on Wakefield Street in said City of Rochester. including costs of court and all. for the sum of Forty (40) dollars that they are able to settle the case of George McDuffee against the City of Rochester for land taken on Winter Street in Gonic

1899 Village for the Sum of Sixty two and 7/100 dollars and the city to remove the wall from its present location and place it upon the new line as laid out. Considering the fact that these ~~two~~ cases have been in Court three terms. and the taxable costs has equalled to one half of said Sums. not including Surveyors bills and Attorneys bills. your committee would recommend that said suits be settled for the Sum of Forty (40) dollars and Sixty two and 50/100 dollars respectively and said city to remove the wall of said McDuffee from its present position to the line established. whenever said City has to take said land for said highway. and that said Several Sums be taken from the fund raised for this purpose

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W G. Bradley
Wm E. Turner
Sidney B Hayes.

On motion of Councilman Albert Wallace voted the report be accepted and adopted.

By Councilman Ames.

Appropriation for Cemeteries

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Rochester

That the Sum of Seventy (20) dollars be appropriated from the



1899 money appropriated for miscellaneous purposes to be used for cutting the grass and general improvements of the cemetery on Haven Hill and the cemetery on Main Street. Refused to committee on Cemeteries.

By Councilman Turner.

Resolution to remove fences where land is taken

Resolved by the mayor and City Council of the City of Rochester

That in all cases where there are appeals from the awards of land damages to the Supreme Court whenever the City of Rochester wish to use the land taken for the widening and straightening of said highway Said City of Rochester at its own expense will remove the fences and walls and place them on the true line as laid out.

On motion of councilman Ames voted the Rules be suspended that the resolution may pass.

Voted the resolution pass.

Hearing on Hurd Lot

The hearing on the petition to take Hurd lot for School purposes being in order. Leslie P. Snowley appeared for the petitioners. after some discussion moved by councilman Turner that the petition be refused, and on this motion the Yeas and Nays

1899 were called resulting as follows.
Yeas Councilmen Hayes. Jacobs
Richards. Seavey Hussey. Marcotte
Turner. T. b. Wallace 8.
Nay Councilmen Geddis. Ames. Trask
Maguire. Albert Wallace and Scruton 6
and the motion of Councilman Turner
prevailed, and the prayer of the petitioners
not granted.

Highway Hearings Continued

On the petition of Morrill Greenfield
and others for a new Highway. on motion
of Councilman Richards voted the hearing
be continued to July 11th at 7-30 P.M.
On petition of Chas M Bailey and others
for a new highway. on motion of
Councilman Albert Wallace voted the
hearing be continued to July 11-1899 at
7-30 P.M.

Marshals report for may read
and placed on file.
On motion of Councilman Hayes voted to
adjourn.

Attest
Chas W. Brown
City Clerk



1899 City of Rochester

July 11-1899

Regular meeting of council called to
order by the mayor
Roll called responded to by Albert
Wallace of ward six

No quorum being present
the mayor adjourned the council
to July 11 at 7-30 oclock P.M. and
continued the hearing on petitions of
C M Bailey & others - and Morrill Greenfield
and others. to the same time.

Attest
Chas W. Brown
City Clerk

1899 City of Rochester

July 11 - 1899

Council met as per adjournment. Mayor Bradley in the Chair.

Roll of council called.

responded to as follows.

Ward One Hayes. Fogg and Jacobs.

Ward Two Geddis Ames and Richards

Ward Three Babb. Seavey and Meader.

Ward Four Turner Trask and Maguire

Ward Six Albert Wallace.

Record of previous meeting read and approved.

Petition of Hollis Jordon for Edgestone on Sebury street. read and referred to committee on Roads Bridges and Drains.

Petition of Hollis Jordan

Communication from mrs L. D. McKay asking for an issue of duplicate Bonds to replace some which she claims were destroyed by fire.

Referred to committee on Legal affairs.

Communication from Mrs McKay

Moved by councilman Turner. That the Sum of fifty dollars be subscribed to the Hanson American Band as a payment in part for its services in furnishing public concerts to the citizens of this city. The Sum to be taken from the miscellaneous fund or as the Mayor

motion for donation to American Band



1899 may deem proper.

Councilman Wallace moved to amend by adding a like sum to the Rochester Cadet Band and to the Rochester Junior Band The amendment was rejected.

On the original motion. the yeas and nays were called resulting as follows,

Yea Councilmen Geddis Turner and Maguire 3

Nay Councilmen Hayes Fogg Jacobs Ames Richards. Babb, Seavey, Meader Trask and Wallace 10 - and the motion was lost.

Resolution for numbering houses,

On the above resolution the committee on Roads Bridges & Drains recommend that all houses and lots within a radius of one mile from Central Square be numbered. and that a map or chart of said numbering be kept at City Clerks office. The committee also recommend that Engineer W. M Ames be employed to do the numbering and make a map or chart as above stated and that his compensation for the same shall be one hundred and twenty five dollars

Numbering of Houses

Albert Wallace
Charles H. Seavey
Committee on Roads Bridges & Drains

On motion of Councilman Turner voted the report be accepted.

1899 Councilman Turner the offered the following amendment,

That Surveyor Ames be instructed to place the numbers on all residences Stores &c that wish it at the price of ten cents for the first number and five cents additional for each number above that one. Same to be paid by owners of property. The amendment was carried and the report of committee as amended adopted. Report of Committee on Legal affairs [Bottom of next page]

Hearing on Highway Petitions Continued

On motion of Councilman Wallace voted the hearing on the two petitions for new Highways be continued to Friday July 21- 1899, at 7-30 P.M,

Marshal's report for June read and ordered placed on file.

Appropriation for Old Cemeteries

Councilman Ames made verbal report on resolution to appropriate a certain amount to cut the grass in the old Cemeteries, that the resolution ought to pass

On motion of councilman Hayes voted the report of the committee be Accepted and adopted

Vacation for Police Teamsters

Councilman Richards moved the one week vacation be allowed the regular Police and city teamsters Councilman Turner offered to amend. by substituting ten days instead of one week. On the adoption



1899 of the amendment the yeas and nays were called resulting as follows,

Yea. Councilmen Fogg, Geddis Ames Turner Maguire and Wallace 6

Nay. Councilmen Hayes Jacobs Richards Babb Seavey Meader & Trask 7

and the amendment was not adopted.

The motion of Councilmen Richards to grant one week vacation was then passed.

No other business being presented on motion of councilman Jacobs voted to adjourn

Attest

Chas W. Brown

City Clerk

This belongs on opposite page

To The mayor and city council of the city of Rochester Gentlemen

Award of damages F. E. Hussey

Your committee to whom was referred the petition of Frank E Hussey asking for an increase of award of land damage find that on the new Survey the city takes 2'-10" more of land, the entire front besides seven apple trees not taken in the first lay out. The original award by Council was twenty dollars. We therefor recommend that this amt be increased by thirty dollars making a total award of fifty dollars.

W. G. Bradley
Wm E Turner
Sidney B Hayes
Committee on Legal affairs

On motion of Councilman Ames voted the report be accepted and recommendations adopted-

1899

City of Rochester

July 21 1899

Continued hearing on Highway petitions
Called to order by the mayor.
The following councilmen
responded to roll call.
Ward one Hayes and Jacobs.
Ward Two Geddis and Ames.
Ward Three Babb.
Ward Four Marcotte
Ward Five Turner and Maguire
Ward Six F. G Wallace and Albert Wallace

Hearing on Highway Petitions

Petition of C. M Bailey and others for a new street from Winter to Portland Street being in order for a hearing Leslie P. Snow Esq appeared for Boston & Maine R.R. and Geo E Cochrane for the Petitioners. The following witnesses were called and sworn and testified as to the necessity of the road. Geo P. Furbush Chas M. Bailey and A. G Horne.
Hearing on petition of Morrill and Greenleaf and others was continued to Aug 1st 1899 at 7-30 P.M.
Recess declared for ten minutes.
After coming to order On motion of councilman Turner voted that the petition be granted and a street laid out on some route.
Voted the hearing be continued to Aug 1 at 7-30 o clock P.M. Attest. Chas W. Brown City Clerk



1899

City of Rochester

August 1st 1899

Regular meeting of the City Council. Mayor Bradley in the chair.
The following response was made to roll call.
Ward one Hayes Fogg and Jacobs.
Ward Two Geddis Ames and Richards
Ward Three Babb and Seavey
Ward Four Marcott
Ward Five Turner Trask and Maguire
Ward Six Albert Wallace and Scruton.
Record of last meeting read and approved.

Petition of Frank R Hayes for School Board

Petition of Frank R Hayes in behalf of the School Board to transfer the Jenness School House to the School Board to be used for School purposes. read and on motion of councilman Hayes voted the prayer of the petitioners be granted.

Petition of Geo F Willey

Petition of Geo F Willey for permit to obstruct a portion of the Highway while the repairs on the Carter house is in progress read and on motion of councilman Jacobs Voted the petition be granted and that he be allowed twenty feet of the highway during the day time only.

Granting Petitions outside the Council be abolished

On motion of councilmen Richards voted that the practise of granting petitions addressed to the mayor and

1899 Council outside the meetings of the City Council be discontinued and all business to come before the council in regular form.

Petition of J. E. Meader and others

Petition of J. E. Meader and others to take a certain tract of land in Genie Village for Public Common Cemetery &c read and referred to Committee on Shade Trees, Parks & Commons.

Petition of L. M. Richardson and others

Petition of L. M. Richardson and others for extension of water main at Genie read and referred to Committee on Water Works

Communication in relation to needed repairs on Harrington Hose Co read and on motion of Councilman Geddis voted that said house of Harrington Hose Co No 4 be put in proper repair.

Harrington Hose House to be repaired

Resolution to exempt J. Spaulding & Sons Co from taxation.

Resolution to exempt J. Spaulding & Sons Co from taxation

Resolved by the City council of the City of Rochester

That the firm of J. Spaulding & Sons Co at North Rochester be exempt from taxation for ten years on all improvements that may be made on their property at the above named place that is, or may be, occupied by them, including dams, buildings that are used for manufacturing purposes, stock and machinery

Rochester August 1st 1899. Introduced by council-



1899 man Albert Wallace. Referred to committee on Bills in their second reading

Communication from the executive committee of the League of American Municipalities read and ordered placed on file.

Report on petition of Hollis Jordan for Sidewalk

On the petition of Hollis Jordan the committee on Roads Bridges & Drains recommended an amendment by adding thereto the names of Sarah C. Peavey and Mrs M. T. McDuffee as they had expressed their willingness to put in the concrete if the edgestone was set.

Voted the petition be granted as amended.

Board of Health Censure of

Councilman Turner introduced a resolution of censure of the Board of Health.

Moved by councilman Albert Wallace that the resolution lie upon the table.

The yeas and nays being demanded Roll was called resulting as follows.

Yea Councilmen Hayes Fogg Geddis Ames Trask Maguire A. Wallace and Scanlon 8- Nay Councilmen Jacobs, Richards, Babb Seavey, Marcotte Turner 6- and the motion of councilman Wallace was carried

Communication from School Board

Communications from the School Board asking an appropriation for a School House read

Moved by councilman Trask

1899 the communication be accepted and the recommendations adopted. Yeas and Nays called with the following result.
Yea. Councilmen Hayes Fogg. Geddis Ames Richards, Seavey Marcotte Trask Maguire Wallace & Scruton 11
Nay councilmen Jacobs. Babb. and Turner 3.
and the motion of councilmen Trask was carried.

Report of the City Marshal for July read and ordered placed on file.

Hearing on Petition of C.M. Bailey

Hearing on highway petitions being in order Engineer Ames was called to explain the proposed route.

Recess of ten minutes declared. After coming to order on motion of Councilman Trask voted a committee be appointed to confer with Mr. Wallace and the Boston & Maine Railroad.

On motion of councilman Fogg voted the committee be appointed by the mayor. Councilmen Turner Trask and Hayes were appointed councilman Hayes declining to serve, councilman Seavey was appointed.

On motion of councilman Turner voted the hearing be continued to September 5 at 7.30 o'clock P.M.

Petition of Morrill & Greenfield

Petition signed by Morrill & Greenfield and others brought before the council and on motion of councilman



1899 Wallace voted the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

On motion of councilman Hayes voted to adjourn.

Attest
Chas W. Brown
City Clerk.

1899 City of Rochester

September 5- 1899

Regular meeting of the city council mayor Bradley in the chair.

The following councilmen responded to roll call.

Ward One Hayes and Fogg

Ward Two Geddis Ames and Richards.

Ward Three Babb Searey and Meader.

Ward Four Marcotte & Poisson.

Ward Five Turner Trask and Maguire.

Ward Six Albert Wallace and Scruton.

Record of previous meeting read and approved.

Petition of Orrin F. Wingate for permit to move a hen house from Sheridan Ave to Rochester St. read and on motion of councilman Ames voted the petition be granted. — Petition of Orrin F. Wingate

Petition of Lewis Ricker for permit to move a hen house from Sheridan Ave to Oak street read and on motion of councilman Babb voted the petition be granted. — Petition of Lewis Ricker

Petition of Walker & Stevens for permit to move a dwelling house from Wentworth street to Maple Street. read and on motion of councilman Fogg voted the petition be granted. — Petition of Walker & Stevens

On motion of Councilman



1899 Wallace voted the city solicitor be instructed to draw up a suitable bond indemnifying the city against any damage that may occur from moving buildings. to be signed by the petitioners. — Solicitor to draw up a Bond

Petition of J. D Piercy for permit to enlarge the main building owned by him on main street by extending its northerly side towards his property line. also to extend the shed to a point near his northerly line. said extension to be of wood and neither main or ell part to be of greater height than at present. — Petition of J. D. Piercy

On motion of Councilman Richards voted the petition be granted.

Report of committee on Norway Plains Mills.

To the Mayor and city council of the city of Rochester

Gentlemen:

Your committee to whom was referred the petition of many citizens in regard to finding out what could be done in regard to starting the Norway Plains Woolen Mills. by concessions from the city &c in regard to taxation, feel sorry to report that in their opinion it will be a long time if ever said mills are operated as a woolen factory by the present Company, and if sold to other — Report on N. P. Co. Mills

1899 parties will be bought only as a matter of speculation. Your committee ask to be discharged

Wm E. Turner.

On motion of councilman Fogg voted the report of the committee be accepted and the Committee discharged.

Report of committe on Bills in their Second Reading.

Report on resolution to exempt J. Spaulding & Sons Co from taxation

The Committee on Bills in their Second reading to whom was referred the resolution to exempt J. Spaulding & Sons Co of North Rochster from taxation for ten years report the resolution in proper form.

S. B. Scruton
H. A. Seavey
Committee on Bills in their Second Reading

On motion of councilman Fogg voted the resolution pass.

Report of committee on Legal Affairs.

Report on Petition of Mary E. D. McKay

On the petition of Mary E. D. McKay the committee on Legal affairs would recommend that notes be given to cover the amount of the bonds said to have been burned, Mrs McKay to give a suitable bond of indemnity.

W. J. Bradley
Sidney B Hayes
Wm E Turner
Committee on Legal affairs

On motion of Councilman Fogg



1899 voted the report of the committee be accepted and recommendations adopted. (Two reports. Page 379)

Report on Petition of L. M Richardson and others

On the petition of L. M Richardson & others for extension of water main in Gonic Village, the committee on water works made the following report.

On the above petition the committee on water works would recommend that an eight inch main be laid in the street a proper distance to protect the property mentioned in said petition, and that a suitable number of Hydrants be placed in the streets.

E. J. Trask
S. E. Meader
Sidney B Hayes
Committee on water works.

On motion of councilman Seavey voted the report of the committee be accepted and the recommendations adopted.

Report on Petition of John E Meader and others

On the petition of John E. Meader & others to take land in Gonic Village for Park & other purposes. The committee on Shade Trees Parks & Commons report as follows.

On the above petition the committe on Shade Trees Parks & Commons would recommend that the land be taken as petitioned for, and the petitioners granted a hearing

W. J. Bradley
C. O. Richards
Committe on Shade Trees Parks & Commons

1899 On motion of councilman Babb voted the report be accepted and hearing granted the petitioners October 3rd 1899 at 7½ o'clock P.M.

Hearing on Highway Petition Continued

Voted the hearing on petition of Chas M. Baily and others be continued to October 3rd at 7½ o'clock P.M.

By Councilman Turner

Resolved by the mayor and city council of the city of Rochester,

Collection of money for Edgestone to be left with Highway Committee

That the collection of all moneys due the city for edge stone and sidewalk be left with the Highway Committee with full power to settle and collect the same by legal action on behalf of the city

Referred to Committee on Legal affairs.

Resignation of J. L. McDuffee as Trustee of Free Public Library read and on motion of councilman Todd voted the resignation be accepted.

Resignation of J. L. McDuffee Trustee Pub. Library

Voted to proceed to the election of Trustee to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of J. L. McDuffee.

Election of Library Trustee

On motion of councilman Ames. Voted councilman Wallace cast one ballot for William McDuffee as trustee of the free Public Library, and it was so voted and William McDuffee declared

1899 elected.

By Councilman Seavey.

Claim against M. & Street to be Collected.

Resolved by the mayor and city council that unless the claim of of the City against Moses Street is adjusted at once the City Solicitor is instructed to bring suit to collect the amount due the city, and also that unless the bill due the city from Nellie F. Decatur is adjusted with the committee on sewerage at once the city Solicitor is instructed to collect it.

On motion of councilman Seavey voted the Rules be suspended that the resolution may pass.

Voted the resolution pass.

By Councilman Wallace.

Resolution of Appropriation for School House

Resolution of appropriation for School house lot and erection of a school house.

Resolved by the city council of the City of Rochester.

That there be raised on note or notes of the city a sum not exceeding thirty thousand dollars for the purchase of a lot in Rochester Village and the erection thereon of an eight room School house.

That said sum shall constitute a portion of the city debt.

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1899 It moved by councilman Ames that the rules be suspended that the resolution may pass. The yeas and nays being called for. resulting as follows.
Yea. Councilmen Hayes Fogg Geddis Ames Babb. Meader Poisson Trask. Maguire Wallace and Scruton 11.
Nay Councilmen Richards. Seavey Marcotte and Turner 4. and the motion of Councilman Ames prevailed. and the rules were suspended.
On the passage of the resolution the roll was called with the following result.
Yea councilmen Hayes Fogg Geddis Ames. Babb. Meader Trask Maguire Wallace and Scruton 10
Nay councilmen Richards Seavey Marcotte Poisson and Turner 5. the necessary two thirds not voting in the affirmative the resolution did not pass.

By councilman Richards
Resolved by the city council of the city of Rochester

That from the money appropriated for macadamizing. the committee on Roads Bridges & Drains may use what may be needed for the construction of culverts. drains Surface Sewer and grading on streets that are to be macadamized.
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money appropriated for macadamizing to be used for Culverts &c

(On motion of councilman



1899 Ames voted the Rules be suspended that the Resolution may pass.
On the passage of the resolution the yeas and Nays were demanded resulting as follows
Yea councilmen Hayes. Geddis Ames Richards Babb Seavey Meader Marcotte Poisson Turner Trask Maguire Wallace and Scruton 14
Nay Councilman Fogg 1. and the resolution passed.

By Councilman Seavey.
Resolved by the city Council of the city of Rochester

appropriation to extend water main at Gonic

That from the earnings of the water work this year there be a sufficient amount appropriated to extend the main at Gonic Village as petitioned for.

On motion of councilman Meader voted the Rules be suspended that the resolution may pass.
Voted the resolution pass

Report of the City Marshal for August read and ordered placed on file.

Special Police appointed

The mayor appointed the following Special police to serve during the fair. John H Pingree albert Rollins Frank Pitts Edward F. Twombly Thomas D. Dudley. Geo F. Berry Fred R Adams

1899 Albert Babb. Warren Dagget Thomas O'Neal
Frank Hodgdon Wilbur F. Trickey George
Robinson Walter Abbott.

On motion of Councilman Ames
voted the nomenations be confirmed.

The mayor appointed the following persons as Special Police to serve at the fair ground during the fair, without expense to the city. Freeman Longland W. H. Ellis F. E. Young. John H. Hobbs John E. Moore Chas A. Jenness. John Gray Will Gray Luther Foss. Charles Babb Henry Wyatt. James B. Young Holmes Reed Geo E. Horne James Kelly. Will Armstrong O. E. Foss Geo A. Hutchinson.

Special Police appointed

On motion of Councilman Turner voted the nomenations be confirmed.

The mayor appointed the following persons to perambulate the town lines. Henry F. Walker Allen Twombly and Nahum Keaton. Also the following persons as the Examining Board of Plumbers. Dr. John H. Neal Wm McAmos and Albert Plowes.

Perambulators Appointed

Examining Board for Plumbers Appointed

On motion of Councilman Turner voted the nomenations be confirmed.

On motion of Councilman Fogg voted to adjourn.

Attest

Chas W. Brown
City Clerk



1899 This should have been entered on page 379 after line

Report of committee on Legal affairs on Claim of Chas F. Trask.

Report on Claim of C. F. Trask

On the claim of Chas F. Trask for damages occasioned by the deep Sewer Crossing his land with a blow off in his mill dam. The committee on Legal Affairs would recommend a settlement of the same by the payment of four hundred dollars. in settlement of all claims for damage

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W. G. Bradley
Sidney B Hayes
Wm E Turner
Committee on Legal affairs

On motion of Councilman Wallace voted the report be accepted and recommendations adopted.

Report on Claim of W. J. Preston

On the claim of Wingate I Preston for damage occasioned by cutting off the water from his pasture at Round Pond the Committee on Legal affairs would recommend the settlement of the same by paying to Mr Preston the sum of Two Hundred Twenty Five dollars in full for all claims for damage

Rochester September 6 1899 W. G. Bradley
Sidney B Hayes
Wm E Turner
Committee on Legal affairs

On motion of Councilman Fogg voted the report be accepted and recommendations adopted.

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Rochester N H September 13-1899

Call for Special meeting

There will be a meeting of the City Council at their room on Friday evening September 15-1899 at Eight o'clock P.M. Business! To see if the Council will vote an appropriation for school lot and building. Important. Per order of the mayor.

Jonas W. Brown
City Clerk

Agreeable to the above order the Council met September 15. with mayor Bradley in the Chair.

The following councilmen were present and responded to roll call

Ward one Hayes & Fogg
Ward Two Geddis Ames and Richards
Ward Three Babb. Seavey & Meader
Ward Four Hussey Marcotte and Poisson.
Ward Five Turner Trask & Maguire
Ward Six Albert Wallace and Scruton.

The mayor stated the object of the meeting. when councilman Richards presented the following resolution.

Resolution of appropriation for School House

Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Rochester.

That the Sum of Twenty Thousand dollars ($20,000) be and hereby is



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appropriated for the purchase of a lot in Rochester Village and the erection thereon of an eight Room School Building. The location and Style of said Building to be left to a joint committee consisting of three members of the School Board and three members from the Council. Said Sum to be raised on note or notes of the city and constitute a Portion of the City debt.

Moved by councilman Wallace the Rules be Suspended that the resolution may pass. The yeas and nays being called the result was as follows.

Yea Councilmen Hayes Fogg Geddis Ames Richards Babb. Meader Poisson Trask Maguire Wallace and Scruton 12

Nay Councilmen Seavey Hussey Marcott and Turner 4. and the Rules were suspended. Resolution read a Second Time.

On the passage of the resolution the yeas and Nays called resulting as follows.

Yea Councilmen Hayes Fogg Geddis Ames Richards Babb. Meader Poisson Trask Maguire Wallace and Scruton 12

Nay Councilmen Seavey Hussey Marcotte and Turner 4. and the resolution passed

On motion of councilman Richards voted the committee of three to act with a like committee from the School Board be elected by ballot. one on each

1899 ballot. Councilman Geddis appointed tellers. First ballot,

Committee Elected

Whole number votes cast 14

S. B Hayes 1

W. b Turner 2

Geo O. Richards 3

b. F. Trask 2

Albert Wallace 5

Chas H Seavey 1

and there was no choice

Second Ballot,

Whole number of ballots 15

b F. Trask 1

W. b Turner 3

Geo. O. Richards 3

Albert Wallace 8

and Albert Wallace was declared elected.

Third ballot,

Whole number of votes cast 15

S. B Hayes 1

Geo O. Richards 3

W. b Turner 3

Chas F. Trask 8

and Chas F. Trask declared elected

Fourth Ballot.

Whole number votes cast 15

Chas H Seavey 1

W. b Turner 3

Geo O Richards 3

F. B. Maguire 8

1899 And F. B. Maguire was declared elected.

On motion of councilman Geddis voted to adjourn

attest

Chas W. Brown

City Clerk

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City of Rochester

October 3 1899

Regular meeting of the city council. Mayor Bradley in the chair.

The following councilmen responded to roll call.

Ward one Hayes and Jacobs.
Ward Two Ames and Richards
Ward Three Seavey and Meader
Ward Five Turner Trask and Maguire
Ward Six F. E. Wallace, Albert Wallace and Stratton

Record of previous meeting read and approved.

Petition of A. J. Winn and others for an Electric Light on Autumn Street read and referred to committee on street lights

Petition of A. J. Winn and others

Petition of J. W. McDuffee for permit to move a building, read on motion of Councilman Ames voted the petition be granted with the usual restrictions.

Petition of J. W. McDuffee

Petition of Emma D Tickey and others for a sewer from Linden Street to the southerly line of the Wallace Shoe Shop property, read and referred to committee on Sewerage.

Petition of Emma D Tickey and others for Sewer

Petition of J. J. Dodge and others for an additional Street light on Cove Court read and referred to committee on Street Lights,

Petition of J. J. Dodge & others for Electric Light

Petition of Frank H. Blake



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for permit to move a building from Lincoln Street to McKinley street read and on motion of councilman Richards voted the petition be granted.

Petition of I. H. Blake

Petition of Frank Smith for permit to move two small buildings from Summer street to his farm on Chestnut Hills road, read and on motion of councilman Albert Wallace voted the petition be granted.

Petition of Frank Smith

Petition of John E. Carey for permit to move a building read and on motion of councilman Ames voted the petition be granted.

Petition of J. E. Carey

Petition of J. Spaulding & Sons Co for permit to construct Canal across the Highway at their mill at the Rochester road. Also petition of J. Spaulding & Sons Co and others to widen Straighten and establish grade of Highway near Cottles mills at the Rochester.

Petition of J. Spaulding & Sons Co

Petition to widen and Straighten Highway

On motion of councilman Ames voted a hearing be granted the petitioners October 17 - at two o'clock P.M.

Petition of New England Telephone and Telegraph Co for relocation of Poles on certain streets, read and referred to committee on Highways

Petition of N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co for Relocation of Poles

Communication of Mary S Sanborn in relation to sewer read and ordered placed on file.

1899 Report on resolution to collect money due for Edgestone.

Report on Resolution to collect Edgestone

On the above resolution the committee on Legal affairs would recommend the passage of the same.

Sidney B. Hayes } Committee
W. E. Turner } on Legal affairs

On motion of councilman Hayes voted the report be accepted and the resolution passed.

Hearing on Highway Petition

The petition of Ras M Bailey and others for a new Highway from Winter Street to Portland Street was now taken up. When the committee appointed to confer with the land owners. made the following report.

To the Mayor and City council
City of Rochester.

Gentlemen:-

Report of Committee on Highway lay out

Your committee to whom was referred the petition for a street from Portland street to winter street, find in their opinion that a street fifty feet wide running at about right angles with Winter Street through the central portion of the Wallace field with a court forty feet wide running from the westerly side of said street on said field in a direct line to the Wentworth street crossing said court only extended by the city as far as the land on the Wallace field. would be not only the best but most economical Road



1899 this council could lay out for the petitioners herewith you herewith a plan of said proposed lay out, and recommend the lay out as above stated and as represented by the accompanying plan be made by the city. We also recommend that the heirs of the Wallace Estate be awarded the Sum of Twenty Two hundred dollars damage, and the Boston and Maine Railroad Company the Sum of one cent damage. It having been verbally agreed between the representations of said B & M R R Co. John W. Sanborn and your committee in presence of Mr N T Kimball and Leslie P. Snow Esq. That upon the above mentioned lay out, being granted by the city. The Boston & Maine Railroad Co would call upon the Railroad Commissioners at their own expense to condemn or discontinue the Wentworth street crossing and if such could be done would pay to the city Treasurer the Sum of one thousand dollars and waive all other claims for damages arising from said lay out.

W. E. Turner } Committee
Charles H Seavey }

On motion of Councilman Wallace voted the report be accepted and the recommendations adopted,

The hearing on petition of John E Measer and others to take land for Park and other purposes. was now

1899 taken up. and on motion of Councilman Hoyes voted the hearing be continued to the next regular meeting Nov 7- 1899. — Hearing on Petition of J. E. Meader Continued

Report of marshal for September read and ordered placed on file.

The mayor appointed Warren Coburn and Walter S Wentworth as Special Police for No Rochester. — Special Police Appointed

On motion of councilman Turner voted the appointments be confirmed.

On motion of councilman Turner voted that when we adjourn we adjourn to October 19. at 7-30 P.M.

Voted to adjourn to time Specified

Attest

Chas W. Brown
City Clerk



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# City of Rochester

October 19 1899

Adjourned meeting of the city council called to order by the mayor.

Roll called. responded to by the following councilmen

Ward one Hoyes and Jacobs.
Ward Two Ames and Richards
Ward Three Seavey
Ward Five Turner & Trask.
Ward Six F. E. Wallace, A. Wallace & Lenton

Petition of C M. Bailey and others for a new Highway from Winter Street to Portland Street. On motion of councilman Ames voted a hearing be granted the petitioners Nov 7- at 7-30 o'clock P.M. — Petition for new Highway Winter St to Portland

Petition of C. M. Bailey and others for a street from the proposed new Street to land of Chas Perkins. — Petition for new Highway

On motion of Councilman Seavey voted a hearing be granted the petitioners Nov 7- at- 7-30 P.M. — Petition to widen and straighten Sherman St & School Street

Petition of Wm H Telker and others to widen & straighten Sherman street. On motion of Council man Ames voted a hearing be granted the petitioners November 7- at 7-30 o'clock P.M.

Petition of W H Telker and others to widen and straighten School Street

1899 On motion of Councilman Gilbert Wallace voted a hearing be granted the petitioners Nov 7- at 7.30 o'clock P.M.

Petition to widen and Straighten Highway Through Whitehall Swamp

Petition: of Chas W. Allen and others. to widen and straighten the road leading from the main road to Salmon Falls road through Whitehall Swamp. on motion of Councilman Ames voted a hearing be granted the petitioners Nov 7- at 7.30 o'clock P.M.

Petition of C W Howard

Petition of Charles W Howard for permit to move a building read and on motion of Councilman Ames voted the petition be granted with the usual restrictions

Petition of L T. Dame

Petition of L T. Dame for permit to move a New House from Jackson Street to King Street read. and on motion of Councilman Hayes voted the petition be granted with the usual restrictions.

Resolution to extend water main at Genie

By councilman Trask.

Resolved by the mayor and Council of the City of Rochester.

That the water main on Oak Street be extended about one hundred feet. and that the expense of the same be taken from the earnings of the water department for 1899.

On motion of councilman Trask voted the rules be Suspended that the resolution may pass. Voted the resolution pass.



1899 By Councilman Trask

Resolution to extend Sewerage through Springfield court

Resolved by the city council of the City of Rochester,

That the deep Sewer be extended through Springfield court (so called) as there are parties there who desire to connect with the same. That the expense for making such extension be taken from the amount standing to the credit of the maintenance account

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On motion of Councilman Trask Voted that the rules be suspended that the resolution may pass.

Voted the resolution pass,

Hearing on petition of J. Spaulding

Hearing on petition of J. Spaulding & Sons Co and others. to Widen and Straighten a certain highway being in order, the hearing was conducted by the City Solicitor. Engineer Ames was called upon to explain the proposed widening. after which a recess was declared. After coming to order on motion of Councilman Scrutton Voted the Highway be laid out according to the plan of the Engineer and that Charles T. Hayes be awarded ten dollars and all other land owners one cent each.

Layout of Highway

On the petition of J. Spaulding

1899 Ane Sons leo for a canal, Councilman Albert Wallace introduced the following resolution,

Resolution allowing Spaulding to construct Canal

Resolved by the mayor and city Council of the city of Rochester.

That the firm of Jonas Spaulding & Sons be granted the right to extend their canal across the highway near the bridge over Salmon Falls River, they doing all the necessary grading to accomplish the same and giving to the city a sufficient bond to build and maintain a bridge over said canal, and a sufficient guard rail and protection to said bridge and to indemnify the city from all loss, costs, and expense to which it may be subjected, by reason of any accident happening upon said canal or bridge over said highway, And the same shall be made appurtenant to the privilege and mill sight of said Jonas Spaulding & Sons and the rights herein granted are granted upon the express condition that the present and future owners of said mill privilege and sight shall forever maintain said bridge and indemnify the city from all costs and loss on account of any accident which may happen thereon and said writings shall be shown satisfactory to the Committee on Legal affairs. The bridge over the canal shall not be less than thirty feet wide. The abutments of the bridge shall be of split



1899 Stone, the height and style of bridge shall be satisfactory to the highway committee, and said canal and bridge over same shall be built satisfactory to the highway committee.

On motion of Councilman Turner voted the resolution pass,

On motion of Councilman Stages voted to adjourn,

Attest

Chas W Brown

City Clerk

1899 City of Rochester

November 7- 1899

Regular meeting of the city council Mayor Bradley in the chair.

The following councilmen respond to roll call.

Ward One Councilmen Hayes & Jacobs. ... 1

Ward Two Geddis Ames & Richards.

Ward Three Meader.

Ward Four Poisson

Ward Five Turner Trask & Maguire.

Ward Six T. E. Wallace and A. Wallace

Record of last meeting read and approved.

Petition of E. C Roberts for permit to move a building read and on motion of councilman Turner voted the petition be granted with the usual petition — Petition of E. C. Roberts

Petition of Geo L. Harrington and others for extension of Green Street to Ware st read and on motion of councilman Hayes voted a hearing be granted the petitioners November 20- 1899 at two o'clock P. M. — Petition to extend Green St.

Marshal's report for October read and ordered placed on file.

By Councilman Jacobs

Resolved by the city council of the City of Rochester.

That the Committee on Finance are hereby authorized to sell



1899 the Stock of the Portland & Rochester railroad now owned by the city of Rochester, whenever they may deem it for the interest of the city so to do Rochester N.H. November 7th 1899. — Resolution Authorizing Sale of P. R. R. Stock

Referred to committee on Bills in their second reading.

By Councilman Geddis.

Resolved by the city Council of the City of Rochester.

That providing satisfactory arrangements can be made with Mrs Abby M. D Chase to make an exchange of land in order for her to put in a circular edgestone at the corner of Wakefield and Summer streets. the Committee on Roads Bridges and Drains are hereby authorized to make such exchange. — Resolution to exchange land with Mrs Chase

Recess of five minutes declared.

On coming to order. on motion of Councilman Albert Wallace voted the rules be suspended that the resolution of Councilman Geddis pass. Voted the resolution pass.

Claim of Willis O Higgins for damage to horse brought before the council and Referred to Committee on Roads Bridges and Drains. — Claim of W. O. Higgins for damage to horse

By Councilman Ames

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Rochester.

1899 That the Sum of $34.00 thirty four dollars be appropriated from the money appropriated for miscellaneous purposes to pay one years interest on that part of the old Cemetery fund which is invested in bonds of "The Investment Trust Co of America"

Resolution for interest Ceal Cem Fund

Referred to committee on finance

Resignation of Councilman S. B. Scruton

Resignation of Councilman S. B. Scruton of ward Six read and on motion of Councilman A. Wallace voted the resignation be accepted.

The hearing on highway petitions being in order the petitions signed by C W Baily and others were first taken up. Chas W Baily and Geo P. Thrush appeared as parties. Engineer Ames explained as to the route of the two streets petitioned for.

Highway petitions Considered

On motion voted the streets be laid out as petitioned for and according to the plan of the engineer and the Wallace heirs be awarded twelve Two hundred dollars land damage and all others one cent each. The petition to widen and straighten Sherman street next considered and explanations made by engineer Ames,

Sherman Street Widened & Straightened

On motion of Councilman Turner voted the street be widened and straightened according to the plan of the engineer and the land owners be awarded one cent each.



1899 The petition to widen and straighten School street was next considered, and after the necessary explanation by the Engineer, on motion of Councilman Albert Wallace it was voted the street be widened and straightened agreeable to the plan and the respective land owners awarded one cent each.

School St Widened & Straightened

On motion of Councilman Turner voted the hearing on petition of C W Allen and others to widen and straighten the Highway through Whitehall Swamp be continued to December 5 at 7 30. o'clock P.M.

Whitehall Swamp road hearing Continued

The hearing on the petition of J. E. Meader and others to take land for Public uses, was now called.

Land taken for Park

On motion of Councilman Meader voted that the words "Cemetery and all other public purposes" in the last two lines of the petition be stricken out.

Then on motion of Councilman Meader voted the land be taken for a Public Park and the abutters awarded one cent each.

On motion of Councilman Jacobs voted to adjourn to November 20 at 7 30 o'clock P.M.

Attest

Chas W Brown
City Clerk

1899 City of Rochester

November 25-1899

Adjourned meeting of the council. Mayor Bradley in the chair.

Roll of council called to which the following named councilmen responded.

Ward one Hayes and Jacobs.
Ward Two Innis and Richards
Ward Four Poisson
Ward Five Junius Traskond Maguire
Ward Six F. C. Wallace and Albert Wallace

By Councilman Poisson

Resolution to settle Land damage Lafayette Street

Resolved by the city council of the City of Rochester

That in settlement for edgestone for Sidewalk on Lafayett St. the land taken to widen the sidewalk shall be full compensation for the same except in such instances as an award was made and land damages paid

Rochester N Y Nov 21st 1899.

On motion of Councilman Albert Wallace voted the resolution be referred to committee on Legal affairs

Petition of Geo T. Willey for permit to remodel the Chase house on Congress Street read and on motion of Councilman Maguire voted Mr Willey be requested to furnish plans and specifications

Petition of Geo T. Willey



1899 of the proposed changes.

The petition was referred to committee on Public Buildings.

Petition of Frank M Gray for permit to move a building read and on motion of Albert Wallace voted the petition be granted with the usual restrictions

Petition of Frank M Gray

Petition of Wm H. Plummer for permit to move a building read and on motion of Councilman Albert Wallace voted the petition be granted with the usual restrictions.

Petition of Wm H. Plummer

Appointment of weighers

The mayor appointed Wm O. Morrill and Ernest S. Goodwin weighers of hay straw and coal

On motion of Councilman Albert Wallace voted the nominations be confirmed

Trustee Pub. Library elected.

On motion of Councilman Hayes voted to proceed to the election of Trustee of Public Library to fill vacancy caused by death of Josiah H Whittier

On motion of Councilman Hayes. voted Councilman Richards cast one ballot for Geo L. Harrington as Trustee Free Public Library. and the ballot was so deposited and George L. Harrington declared elected.

The hearing on the petition to extend Green Street to

1899 Weare Street was now considered. Hearing in Extension of Green Street
Chas S. Clark and Everett Chick appeared as parties. after examination on motion of Councilman Hayes voted the hearing be continued to December ~~fifth~~ 7th at 7.30 PM and that Mr Weare be notified that the city claim the right to lay out the street and award nominal damages.

Voted to adjourn

attest

Chas W. Brown

City Clerk

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